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## FEARS OF BIG COUP AT HANKOW.

### MANY WUCHANG EXECUTIONS.

### MARTIAL LAW DECLARED AS PRECAUTION.

### HUGE ARMY READY TO MARCH ON PEKING.

### COST OF BRITISH FORCES.

There are grave fears among the authorities at Hankow of a pro-Chiang Kai-shek coup, and there are rigorous measures being taken to prevent such a development, including the declaration of martial law in Wuchang and the wholesale execution of men who are believed to be Chiang Kai-shek's troops in civilian disguise. The Hankow situation is growing even more tense and an outbreak of trouble is expected.

General Yen Shi-shan, the Tsuchun of Shansi, has definitely gone to the side of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and he claims to have 120,000 men under him ready for an attack on Peking.

In the course of answers to a series of questions in the House of Commons yesterday, it was stated that the cost to date of the additional naval forces in China was £240,000, that Britain had no intention of departing from its policy of non-intervention in Chinese matters, and that the negotiations regarding the British Concession at Tientsin had been suspended, pending the settlement of some outstanding points.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has asked that all available aeroplanes at Canton be sent to Nanking, and it has been decided to retain only a few for the expedition to Kiangsi and Hunan, the remainder to be sent North.

### CANTON PLANES GOING NORTH.

Hankow, June 15. The arrest in Wuchang of a large number of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's troops, in plain clothes, has resulted in elaborate precautions by the Wuhan authorities against a coup. Martial law has been declared and street searches are rigorously carried out. All gates to the city are heavily guarded and are shut at night.

The military have rounded up a large number of men believed to be special details from Chiang Kai-shek's anti-Red army, and executions are a daily occurrence, it is understood.

Information now to hand indicates that there was considerable difference of opinion and argument at the Chengchow Conference just concluded, and it is stated that the Wuhan authorities left somewhat discomfited.

In Hankow, the situation remains unaltered, but it is feared that trouble may be experienced in the near future. The rice shortage is causing severe hardship, particularly among the coolie class, and with the extra strain thrown on the resources by the returns of large numbers of troops from the Honan front, it is thought that there may be clashes.

—Naval Wireless.

### MARTIAL LAW AT WUCHANG.

#### Outbreak of Trouble Feared.

Shanghai, June 15. Trouble in the future is feared at Hankow, according to reports received to-day. Large numbers of troops are returning from the Honan front, and martial law has been put into force at Wuchang.

Shanghai is quiet, the situation remaining unchanged. —Naval Wireless.

#### Normality at Chinkiang.

Chinkiang, June 15. The Chinese authorities have now removed the restriction on the movements of steamers after dark, and things are rapidly returning to normal. —Naval Wireless.

### RICE SHORTAGE AT ICHANG.

#### Yang Sen's Headquarters.

Ichang, June 15. General Yang Sen has now arrived at Ichang where a large number of his troops, who used steamers and junks for transport purposes, are now stationed.

It is understood that Yang Sen intends to establish his headquarters at Ichang, and a further large body of his troops have been observed retiring in the direction of Ichang along the north bank of the Yangtze.

As at Hankow, the rice shortage at Ichang is becoming increasingly acute, and with the advent of such a large body of troops, the civil population is growing apprehensive. —Naval Wireless.

Chenglin, June 15. There is nothing to report, the situation remaining unchanged. —Naval Wireless.

### NAVAL ADDITIONS.

#### The Cost Up to Date.

London, June 15. In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. W. C. Bridgeman estimated that the additional cost falling on the navy vote, due to the additional naval forces in China, was hitherto £240,000. —Reuter.

### THE LEGATION GUARD.

#### British Reinforcement.

London, June 15. In the House of Commons, Capt. H. D. King stated that probably the British force in the Legation Guard at Peking would be reinforced by about one company.

#### Shanghai Force.

He saw no reason to alter the previous estimate as to the cost of the Shanghai Defence Force.

Capt. King added that he understood the Municipality at Shanghai was not claiming rent for the accommodation provided. —Reuter.

### NO INTERFERENCE.

#### Our Policy Re-stated.

London, June 15. Replying to questions in the House of Commons, Mr. G. Locker Lampson said he was unable to express an opinion as to whether all the Powers interested in the Far East were observing a policy of non-interference in purely Chinese matters, but that policy was followed by Britain, who hoped to secure the general adoption of this policy as far as possible. —Reuter.

### AIR FORCE UNITS.

#### The Cost to Britain.

London, June 15. Sir Samuel Hoare stated in the House of Commons that the total additional charge hitherto falling on the air vote in respect of the despatch of air units to China was approximately £40,000. —Reuter.

### DEFENCE OF PEKING.

#### The Agreement of 1901.

London, June 15. In the House of Commons, Mr. G. Locker Lampson told a questioner that British troops had been despatched to Peking and Tientsin in view of the agreement between the Powers and the Chinese Government in 1901. —Reuter.

### STATUS OF TIENTSIN.

#### Negotiations Suspended.

London, June 15. Questioned in the House of Commons as regards the progress of the negotiations relating to Tientsin, Mr. G. Locker Lampson said that since the previous statement on May 2, the negotiations had been suspended, while certain points were being settled between the British Minister and the authorities at Peking.

Therefore, for the present, it was not proper to make a public statement on the subject. —Reuter.

### BRITONS RETURNING.

#### To Hankow and Kiukiang.

London, June 15. Replying to questions about China, in the House of Commons, Mr. G. Locker Lampson stated that the naval authorities and His Majesty's Minister had agreed that British residents, including a small proportion of women, might now be permitted to return to Hankow and Kiukiang. —British Wireless.

### YEN SHI-SHAN'S FORCES.

#### To Drive Against Peking.

Shanghai, June 15. General Yen Shi-shan has circulated a telegram announcing his assumption of office as Commander-in-Chief of the Northern China Nationalist Army. General Yen also announces that he has mobilised 120,000 troops for the drive against Peking and his armies are marching on Peking through two different directions.

#### Commander Killed.

Nanking claims that the 7th and 10th armies have crossed Tientsin and are already on their way to Yangchow. The Shantung Commander, General Ching Kuoshu was killed in action in a battle near Lincheng.

#### Reported Execution.

General Tien Wei-chun, a former chief subordinate of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, is reported to have been shot by Marshal Feng Yuxiang in Chengchow. —Nam Chung Pao.

#### Chiang Goes to the Front.

Shanghai, June 15. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is to leave for the Shantung front this afternoon to give personal direction to the military operations. It is reported that the Fengtien party may organize a new responsible Cabinet to take charge of the Central Government at Peking and Mr. Pan Fu, formerly Finance Minister of Peking, is mentioned for the Premiership. —Nam Chung Pao.

### REORGANISATION.

#### The Kwangsi Brigades.

Canton, June 15. The Kwangsi army, which is known as the best Nationalist contingent, is being reorganized. Formerly all the Kwangsi troops belonged to the 7th Nationalist Army, with General Li Chung-jen as Commander and Wang Shao-hung as vice-commander. Part of the army was taken by General Li Chung-jen up to the north to join the Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's expedition, and the remaining section of the army in Kwangsi was recently sent to Kwangtung to join Canton's expedition against Hunan and Kiangsi. According to the (Continued on page 18.)

### THE C.N.C. OFFICERS' STRIKE THREAT.

#### LONDON REPUDIATION OF STATEMENTS.

#### THE 1916 AGREEMENT.

The strike threatened by the engineers and deck officers of the China Navigation Company, for which the agents in the Far East are Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, will take place a fortnight from to-day, according to the present position of affairs.

The only reply received from the Company, subsequent to the letter in which it was asked to signify (a) its consent to submit the dispute to an adjustment board in accordance with the terms of the arbitration agreement of May, 1916; or, alternatively (b) its decision to restore the salaries to the previous level, as well as to refund the salary percentage deducted since April 1st, 1927, has been a letter from Messrs. John Swire and Sons, London.

This letter was read at a combined meeting of the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, held at the Merchant Service Club, Shanghai, on June 8th, says Shipping and Engineering.

#### London Repudiates.

The letter from London repudiates most of the statements contained in the Guilds' public statement.

After some discussion a resolution was passed to the effect that the Guilds were determined to maintain inviolate the 1916 agreement, and that they therefore affirmed resolutions passed at Shanghai and Hongkong on May 9 and May 23 respectively, regarding the stoppage of all the vessels of the Company on June 30th, 1927.

The Guild Secretaries were further instructed to write to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire to point out that any suspension of the China Navigation Company's services which may take place on and after June 30 would be due solely to the company's attitude in repudiating the agreement of May, 1916, and that the responsibility for the stoppage would rest entirely with the company. We understand that a letter to this effect was sent to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire on June 7.

### "NOT GUILTY."

#### RUSSIAN ON TRIAL FOR MURDER.

Warsaw, June 15. "I killed Voikov, but I am not guilty of murder," calmly replied Kowceda at the opening of his trial, and added that he did so on account of what the Bolsheviks had done to Russia. —Reuter.

[Kowceda, a Russian Monarchist, recently assassinated the Soviet Minister to Poland.]

#### Life Sentence.

Warsaw, June 15. The Extraordinary Tribunal has sentenced Kowceda to life servitude, with loss of civic rights. Simultaneously it decided to recommend the President of the Republic to commute it to 15 years penal servitude. —Reuter.

### DR. COOK'S PAROLE.

#### COURT DECISION REVERSED.

New York, June 15. The United States Court of Appeals has reversed the decision of the United States District Court of Northern Texas, granting Dr. Cook, of North Pole fame, five years' parole.

Dr. Cook is at present serving a sentence for using the American mails in a manner contrary to the regulations. —Reuter's American Service.

### DISARMAMENT.

#### PRELIMINARY WORK TO CONTINUE.

Geneva, June 15. The council of the League of Nations has adopted a report in favour of continuing the work of the preparatory disarmament committee. —Reuter.

### NUNGESSER ALIVE?

#### CANADIAN REPORT OF DISCOVERY.

#### FRENCH ARE DOUBTFUL.

New York, June 15. A message from Quebec reports that Captain Nungesser and Major Coli have been found alive. —Reuter's American Service.

#### Now Denied.

Montreal, June 15. A message from the River Board, whence the original report emanated, denies that Nungesser and Coli have been found. —Reuter's American Service.

#### Earlier Hopes.

Quebec, June 15. Intense interest has been aroused by the report that a forester has seen mysterious flares, apparently of Very lights or petrol torches in the sparsely populated Saguenay district to the north of the St. Lawrence river below Quebec.

It is thought possible that the aviators Nungesser and Coli may have passed over Newfoundland in the fog and flown over Labrador to northern Quebec and landed in some remote spot.

#### Search Ordered.

Every forestry official in Saguenay district has been ordered to search for any trace of the aviators, but as there are few roads in the district and communication is only possible by boats or afoot and it may be some time before any definite news is received. —Reuter's American Service.

Paris, June 15. Newspapers are sceptical regarding the report from Quebec. It is pointed out that the aviators had no flares and as the Saguenay district is not entirely uninhabited it is unlikely they would not have met other human beings. —Reuter.

The report of Captain Nungesser and Major Coli having been found alive, will probably be received with much scepticism, until substantially confirmed, as the public were bitterly disappointed more than a month ago when premature reports of their successful crossing of the Atlantic were cabled from America to France.

It will be recalled that Captain Nungesser (a photograph of whom appears on our picture page to-day) and Major Coli left Paris in an attempt to be the first to fly direct to New York, on May 8. The plane was reported the next day to be passing over Portland, Maine, on the way to New York, and the news caused transports of joy in France, to be followed later by grief and indignation when no further signs of the aviators were seen. There were reports of machines being observed off the Newfoundland coast, which turned out to be unsubstantiated. A search was instituted by aircraft and shipping off the United States and Canadian coasts, for some days, but without result. Finally only the most optimistic hoped to hear of the airmen's arrival at some wild part of the North American mainland.

Captain Nungesser and Major Coli both saw much service in the late war, Nungesser being one of the most famous of the fighting "aces," being wounded many times, and being credited with a large "bag" of German planes in the course of aerial duels. His probable loss meant more than the mere passing of a daring aviator—it was a national grief to the French.

It is interesting to observe that his mother only recently asserted that she has never lost hope.

### NETHERLANDS FLIGHT.

#### Holland to Dutch Indies.

Amsterdam, June 15. The first passenger-carrying aeroplane from Holland to the Dutch East Indies has left the Schiphol aerodrome. The passenger is M. Van Learblack with a valet. They hope to complete the journey in five weeks via India and Singapore. —Reuter.

#### Airman Reaches Budapest.

Budapest, June 15. The Dutch airman Van Learblack's aeroplane, from Amsterdam on the way to the Dutch East Indies, has landed here according to programme. —Reuter.

### WORLD TRADE UNION PROBLEMS.

#### WAGES AND SICKNESS BENEFITS.

#### QUESTIONNAIRE DISCUSSION.

#### Geneva, June 15.

The Labour Conference by 66 votes to 28 decided to exclude the question of trade union freedom from the agenda at the next conference; thus killing the famous questionnaire to the Governments as regards the freedom of association and combination, which refers to the rights both of employers and workers; thus a very bad impression has been produced at the International Labour Office, which regards the matter as one of the most important on the agenda at the present conference.

Some condemnation was heard of the attitude of employers' and workers' groups and some of the Government delegates, for instance those of Canada, Japan, and the Netherlands, who voted for exclusion. —Reuter.

#### Wage Regulation.

Geneva, June 16. During the discussion at the International Labour Conference on the minimum wage questionnaire, Mr. Lall, of the Government of India Industries and Labour Department, approved the questionnaire, which he said the Indian Government would gladly co-operate in the preliminary enquiry.

Mr. Freestone, of the Union Labour Department, declared that wage-fixing machinery had fairly advanced in South Africa, and there was a growing opinion in favour of abolition of home work. The draft questionnaire was adopted by 89 to 22.

#### Sickness Insurance.

The Conference also adopted by 27 to 9 a draft convention dealing with sickness insurance in industry, commerce and domestic service, and a draft convention relating to sickness insurance in agriculture by 85 to 9.

The British employers abstained from voting in the last-named. The Conference adopted a "recommendation" by 99 to 0 regarding sickness insurance.

The session closes to-morrow. —Reuter.

### THE BALKANS UPSET.

#### LEAGUE ACTION POSSIBLE.

#### London, June 15.

Replying to a question as to whether the Foreign Secretary would bring the matter of the strained relations between Albania and Yugo-Slavia before the Council of the League of Nations, Mr. G. Locker Lampson in the House of Commons said Sir Austen Chamberlain was now in Geneva attending a meeting of the Council.

It might be regarded as assured that he would use his discretion as to the best means of assisting the two parties to reach a satisfactory settlement. —British Wireless.

### LOCARNO EFFECTS.

#### POLICY TO BE CONTINUED.

#### Geneva, June 15.

The League of Nations Council in a communique states that the members in conference have examined the questions left in suspense at last December's meeting, and have again unanimously noted the desire to pursue the Locarno policy, which has already given important results in the interests of peace. —Reuter.

### A BANQUET TO LINDBERGH.

#### ATTENDED BY 4,000 PERSONS.

New York, June 15. Four thousand New York men attended a municipal banquet in the Hotel Commodore in honour of Colonel Lindbergh. —Reuter's American Service.

### CHINA SITUATION.

#### INTRIGUING FACTORS ARISE.

#### MATING AND CHECKMATING.

The situation in the north is one of the most complex that has arisen for years and readers who are trying to follow developments and find that they cannot understand what is going on need feel no sense of inferiority because they can make neither head nor tail of it; for not only are the "authorities" in the same boat, but the biggest figures in the struggle are in precisely a similar dilemma, writes Mr. Rodney Gilbert to the N. C. Daily News. Almost all that anyone can do is to get accurate information upon the status of each of the chiefs, which is by no means easy, and then try to figure out the most likely upshot as one would a chess game. Something of this sort we shall try to do, for we believe that we have sound general information on the relative positions of the numerous factions, but we do not invite the public to put too much faith in our prognostications. The unforeseen is the commonest element in Chinese politics and the wood is full of dark horses.

Let us start with Sun Chuan-fang. He has intact an army of 10,000 men and about 50 pieces of artillery, with abundant ammunition, equipment and provender. His retreat up the Grand Canal was forced by Chang Tsung-chang's confused flight up the Tain-Pu railway to the Shantung border. His entire force was evacuated in good order—the guns being carried on boats—has crossed the Lung-Hai railway and is now, for the most part in southeastern Shantung, the most westerly units being at Yihshien, which is connected by rail with Lincheng. This movement was essential, as one can see from the map, because had Chiang Kai-shek's forces occupied the Lung-Hai line from Hsuechow to Haichow, he would have been cut off from all but the sea, with no ports between the mouth of the Yangtze and Haichow where he could have found adequate shipping for a withdrawal.

#### Chang Tsung-chang's Men.

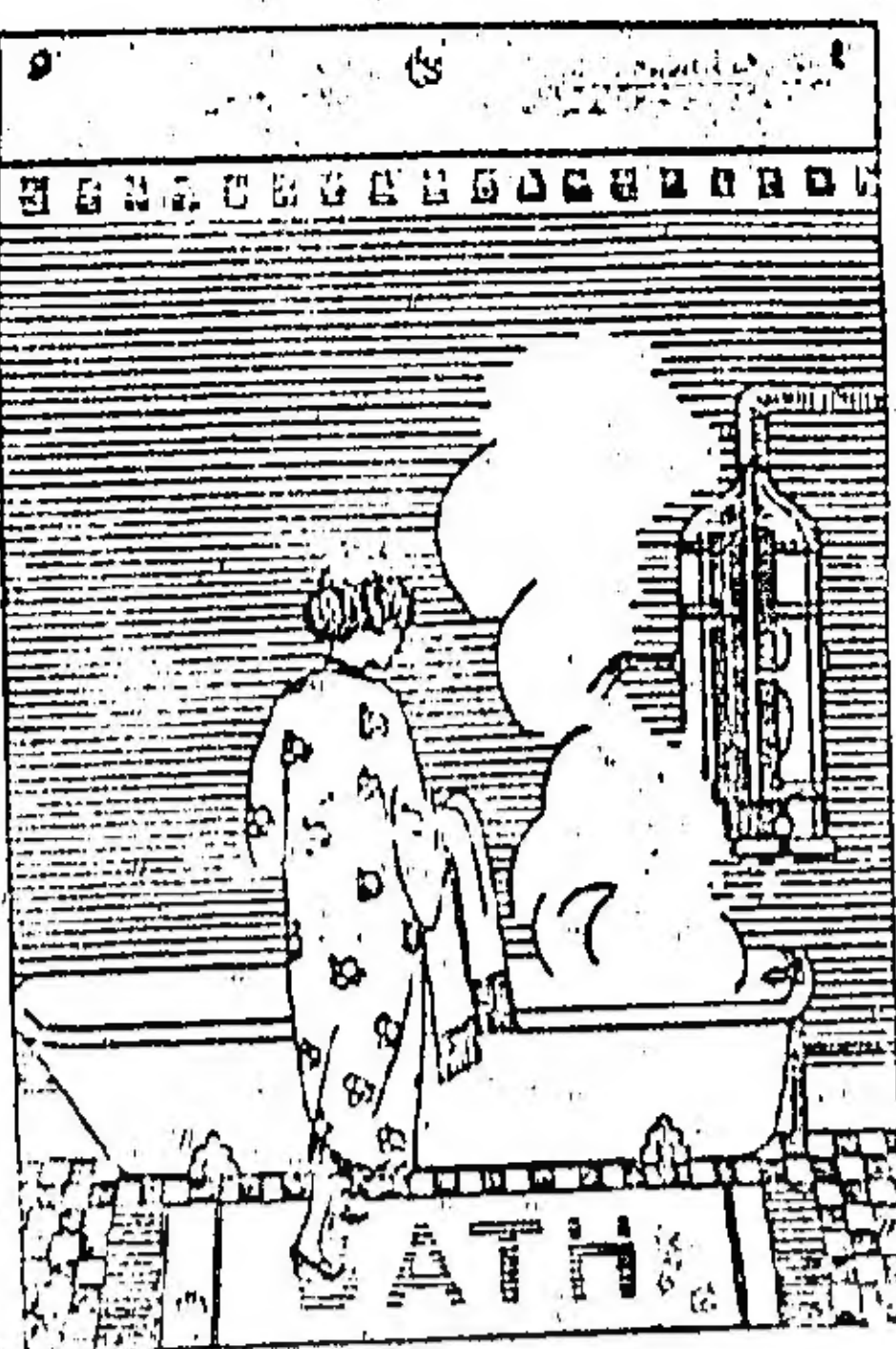
The main body of Chang Tsung-chang's army is concentrated on the Shantung border in the vicinity of Lincheng and is hopelessly demoralized. The Kuomintang is in correspondence with at least 40 of his officers and also control in Shantung a growing force of bandits. His men, among whom northern military agents have been making inquiries as to the reason for his inability to make a stand, have said that they were willing to deal fairly by him. During the last 18 months they had received 20 cents each, so they were each ready to fire two shots in his interest, but they were not going to risk their lives by firing three. Ch'u Yu-pai, Governor of Chihli, has despaired of him altogether, and has not only withdrawn all support but, forseeing a possible occupation of Shantung by the South, has had delegates in Chiang Kai-shek's camp trying to learn on what terms he can subscribe to the Three Principles and retain Shantung and Chihli.

For a year past it has been openly confessed that, in command of anything bigger than a company, Chang Tsung-chang was useless, that he was a disgrace to the Fengtien league and that his army was a weak spot in the line. Yang Yuting has openly ridiculed him in interviews. It is absolutely certain now that he must go and it is very likely that, at an impending conference in Peking he will be asked to go. It seems not unlikely that Sun Chuan-fang will then take his place. If Chang does not give up his command gracefully, it is probable that Sun Chuan-fang will move from his present position to Tientsin overland and establish himself on the Tientsin-Tsianfu railway to participate in a joint attack of Tsinanfu.

#### Interesting Figure from Shansi.

The most interesting figure in the north at the moment is Governor Yen Shi-shan of Shansi, who has hoisted the Kuomintang flag and has moved down to the Peking-Hankow railway and occupied a section of it. South of him there is (Continued on Page 4.)





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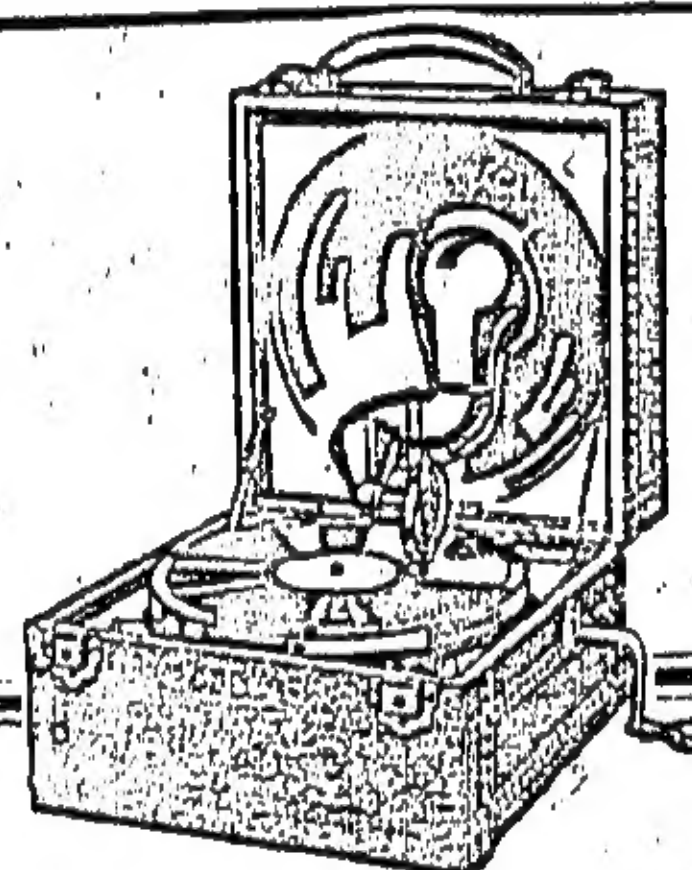
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## MORE PRISONERS.

### GAOL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

The number of prisoners lodged in local gaols last year was 6,611, compared with 6,339 in 1925, according to the annual report of the Superintendent of Prisons. There was an increase of prisoners convicted for larceny during the year, the number being 1,083 as against 927 for the previous year. There were 1,154 cases of prisoners being admitted without the option of a fine, compared with 613 in the previous year.

Fifty four juveniles were admitted with sentences varying from 24 hours' detention to 12 months' hard labour. In two cases corporal punishment was awarded in addition. The percentage of convicted prisoners admitted to prison with previous convictions was 19 as compared with 17.5 for 1925. There were 123 prisoners admitted who were convicted by the police courts in the New Territories.

### Percentage Increase.

The following table shows the number of prisoners in custody on December 31 for the past ten years and the percentage to population.

Year.	Estimated population.	Daily average number of prisoners.	Percentage to population.
1917	505,100	1,122	1.08
1918	523,000	901	1.03
1919	558,100	769	1.28
1920	588,100	765	1.17
1921	646,500	764	1.16
1922	662,200	787	1.10
1923	681,800	801	1.09
1924	726,500	1,069	1.53
1925	874,420	1,116	1.28
1926	786,920	1,014	1.34

There was a decrease in the number of offences against prison discipline the figures being 516 cases as against 792 the previous year.

Over 13 million forms were printed and issued to various Government departments and 74,030 books bound or repaired. Type to the value of \$9,000 was cast during the year.

### Building Improvement.

More land was resumed at Lai Chi Kok in November 1926 and as much as possible placed under cultivation. This land gives part employment to 40 prisoners. The staff is too limited to permit the employment of prisoners all day on this particular work.

Victoria Gaol is still overcrowded although more prisoners have been transferred to Lai Chi Kok. Authority has been given for the improvement of the hospital, reception and office accommodation and this improvement it is hoped will be partially effected in 1927.

15. Several buildings were found to be in a bad state of repair; a paper store, the roofs of "F" Hall and female prison were condemned. These will be renewed in 1927.

The conduct and health of the staff was good during the year. As usual there was a considerable amount of malaria at Lai Chi Kok but there were no serious cases.

The average cost per prisoner was \$306.11, as compared with \$305.20 in 1925 and \$237.66 in 1924.

## WOMAN'S DEATH.

### BODY FOUND ON HILLSIDE.

An inquiry into the circumstances of the death of an elderly Chinese woman whose body was found on the hillside of Kowloon Tsai on May 22, was held by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon with the following serving on the jury: Messrs. F. H. Crapnell (foreman), E. W. White and G. Hansen.

Dr. J. E. Dovey, giving evidence of the post mortem examination, said that the body was badly decomposed which rendered diagnosis of the cause of death impossible, but there were signs of chronic nephritis of the left kidney, which in witness's opinion caused the woman's death.

There was a quantity of rice in the stomach which suggested that

## ELECTROCUTED.

### INQUIRY INTO COOLIE'S DEATH.

Interesting evidence was given by Mr. V. D. Sorby of the Hongkong Electric Company, when an inquiry was held yesterday afternoon into the death of an unknown Chinese who was found dead on Mount Cameron Road on May 22. Major C. Willson sat as Coroner.

Mr. Sorby said that he was Mains Engineer connected with the Hongkong Electric Company and lived at 530 The Peak. On the morning of Sunday, May 22, a Chinese went to his house and told him that a man was killed on Mount Cameron Road. Witness took his rubber gloves and pliers to the spot, which was about a quarter of a mile away and there saw that a telephone wire had fallen across an electric light wire. The man who had called him pointed to a sidepath where telephone wires were lying, and witness, wearing his rubber gloves, cut the wires clear. Further along the sidepath he saw a Chinese lying. The two of them carried the man on to the road.

Witness then sent the man who first called on him to go and fetch Mr. G.H.M. Bannerman, who lived nearby, while he himself tried artificial respiration. The body, however, got cold and Mr. Sorby abandoned it. He went to Mr. Bannerman's house and found that the man whom he had sent there had run away. Later he got Mr. Bannerman to go to the Police Station to call the Inspector, whilst he returned to his own house to call up the Telephone Company.

When the Inspector came along the three of them went to the scene and there the Inspector found a hat, some clothing and a pair of pliers. The pliers, Mr. Sorby explained, were cheap Chinese pliers, the sort that a European company would not own.

Witness went on to explain that the telephone wires were at right angles to the electric light wires. The telephone wires were cut at the foot of the pole and they were hanging over the electric wires.

The Coroner: What would be the effect of the telephone wires hanging over the electric wires?

Mr. Sorby: There are five electric wires and the top wire is an earth guard wire, which should be bare wire. The two wires below that are live wires and the other two are earth potentials. The top wire is eighteen feet from the ground, and owing to a mistake of the workman concerned, braid was not removed and thereby caused a short circuit when the telephone wire fell on it. If the telephone wire had not been cut and had fallen as a result of a typhoon, it would still have been dangerous.

Mr. Sorby added that the wires were inspected from time to time, but there was no regular inspection.

Mr. G.H.M. Bannerman corroborated Mr. Sorby's evidence.

Mr. R. Kirkwood, of the Telephone Company said that on May 22 he received a telephone message to say that one of their employees had been killed at Mount Cameron Road, but when he reached the body, he, in the presence of the Inspector searched it in order to find the Company's pass card for men on duty they could not find one on the deceased.

At this stage the inquiry was adjourned until Wednesday next, at 2.30 p.m.

death was sudden. There were no signs of violence or poisoning.

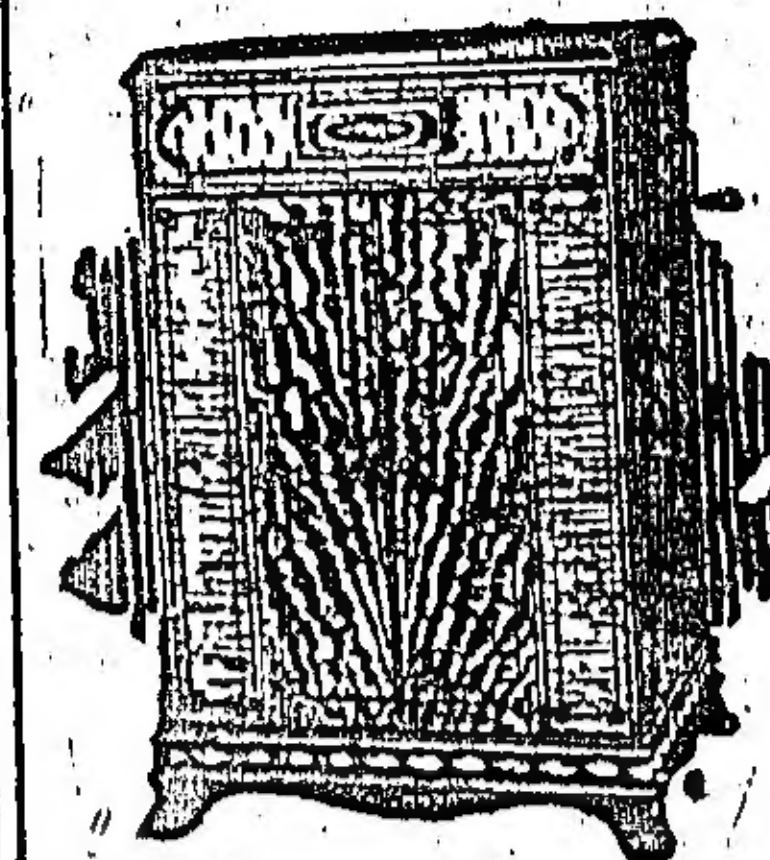
The evidence showed that the woman, who was a cigarette hawk, left her house on May 13 and was not seen again. As she did not return that day her disappearance was reported to the Police the following day, but it was not till May 22, while a constable was on duty in the vicinity of the Kowloon Hospital, that the body was found in an advanced stage of decomposition.

Verdict of death, from natural causes was returned.

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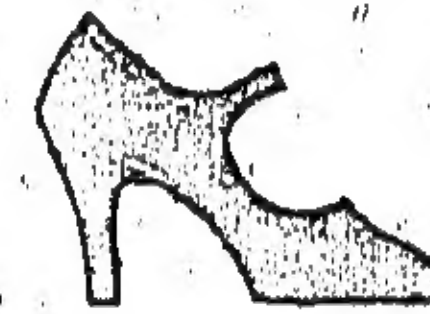


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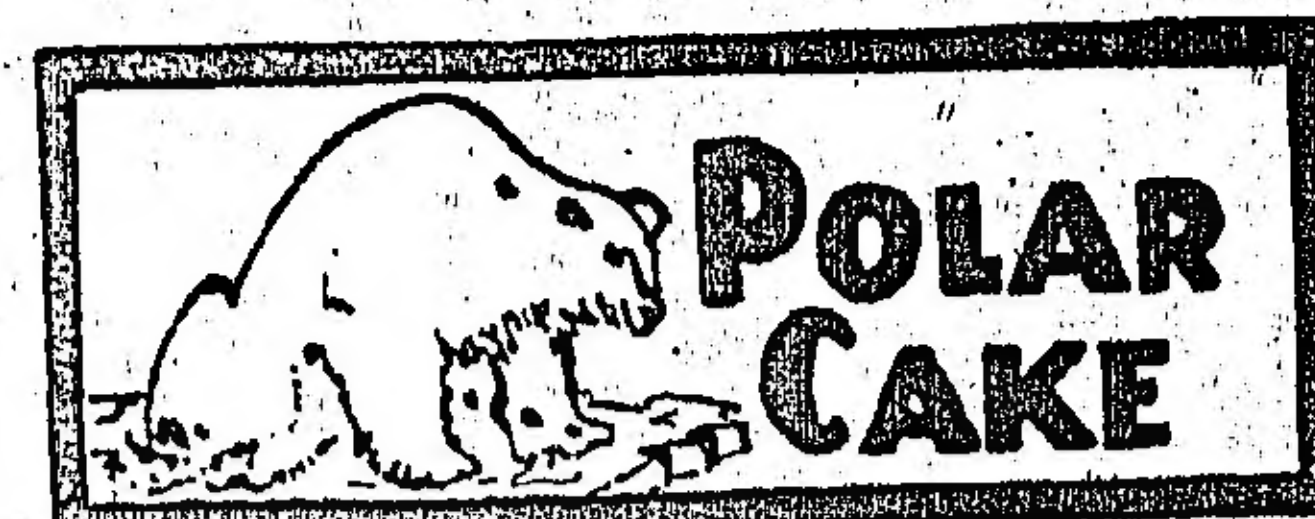
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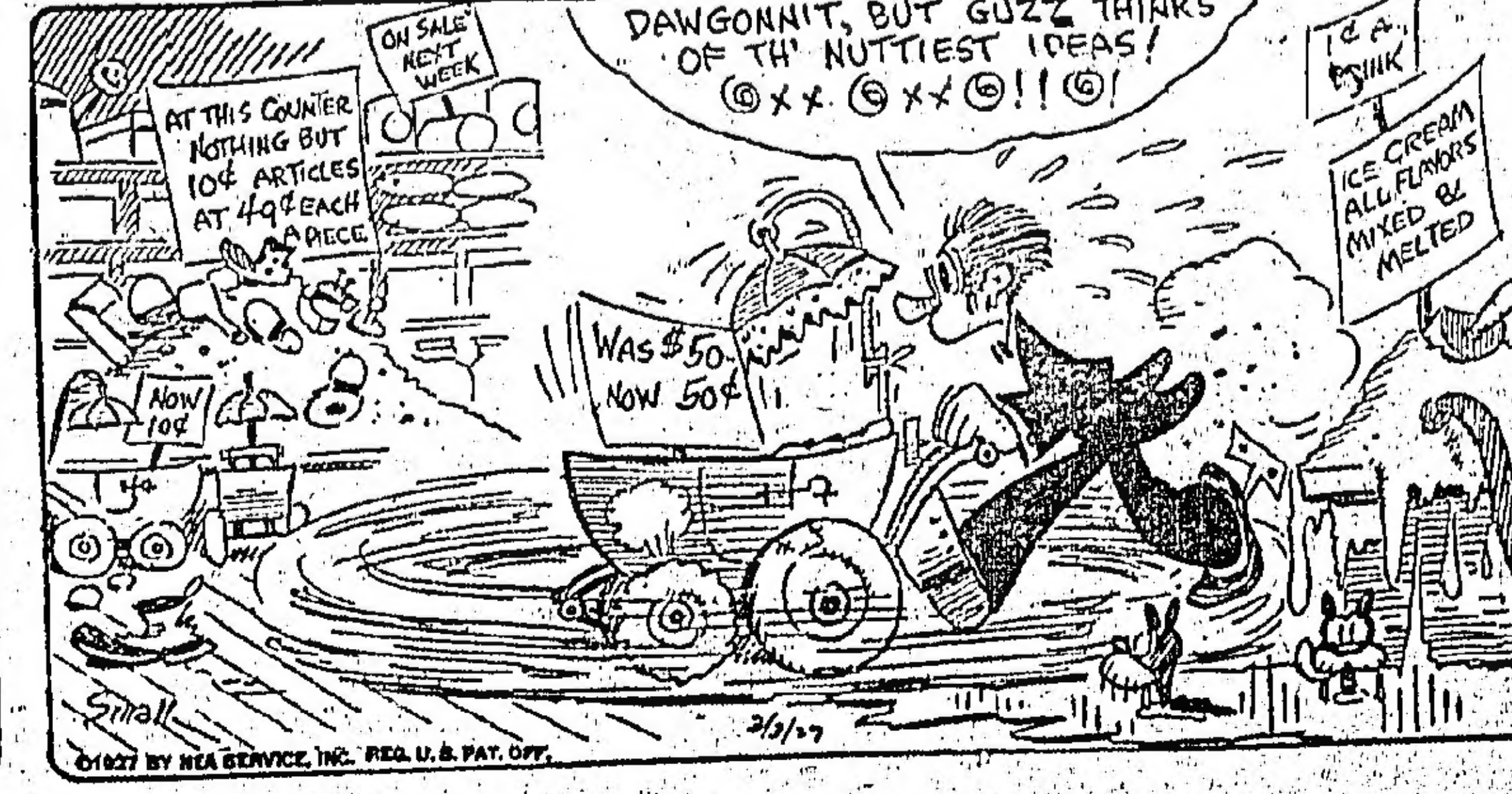
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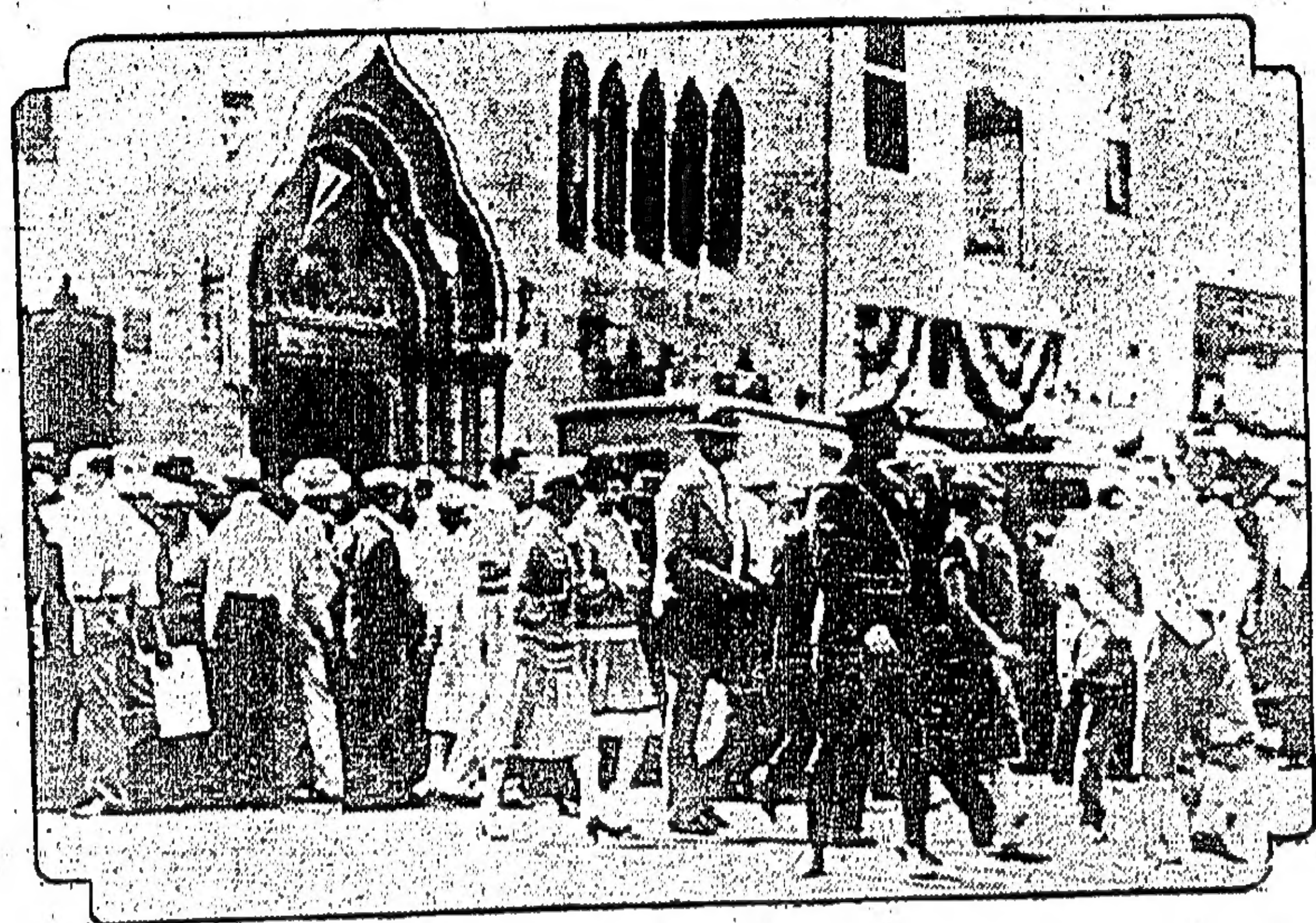
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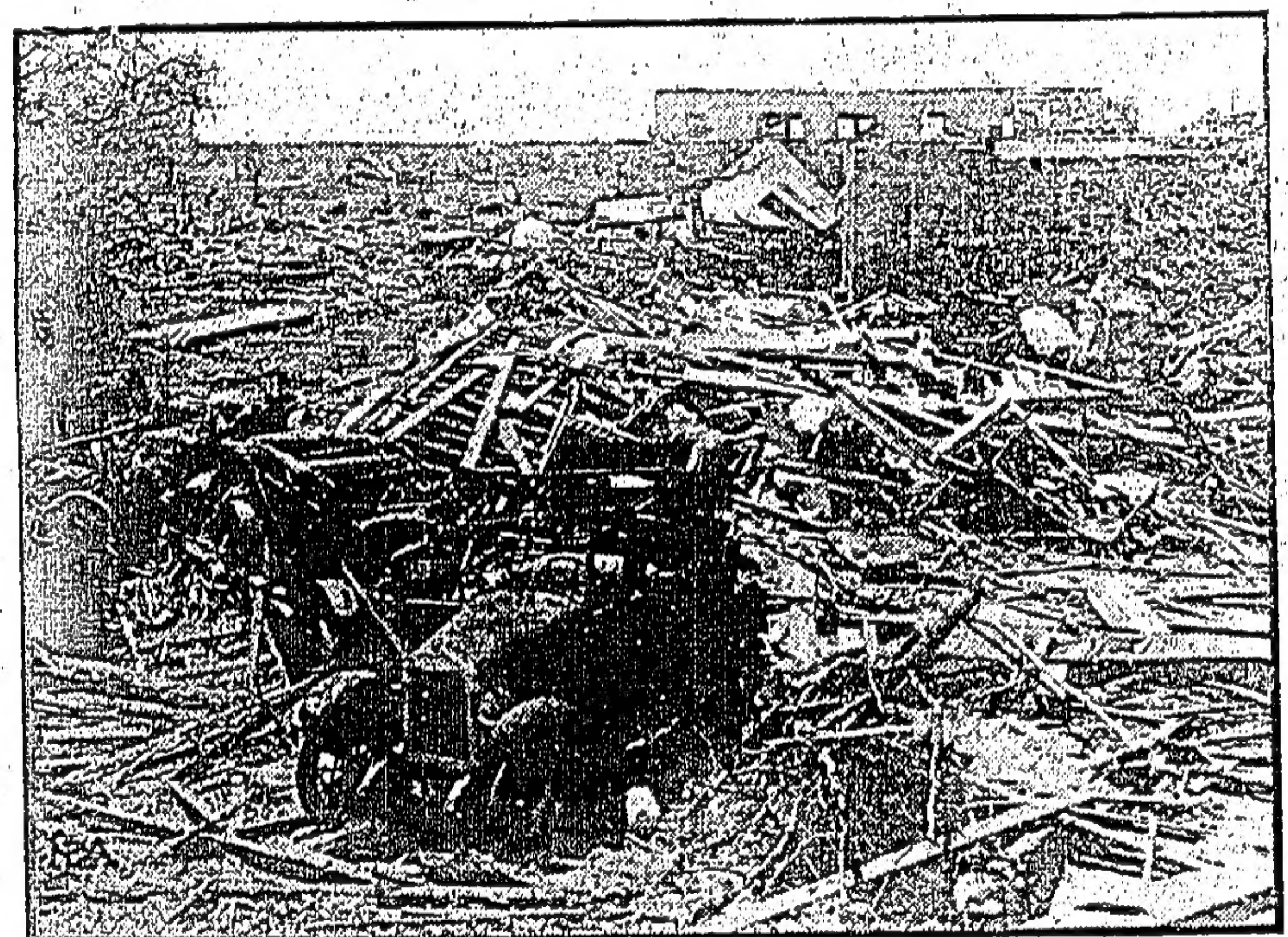




**BASEBALL SEASON OPENS.**—Scenes like this were witnessed on many diamonds when the U. S. baseball season opened. At left, Ty Cobb scores his first run as a Philadelphia Athletic and, at the right, Eddie Collins grounds out Koenig to Gehrig, in the game with the Yankees at New York; Grabowski is the catcher in both views, Billy Evans the umpire.



**FLORIDA BANK RUN.**—Two million dollars in currency rushed to the Farmers' Bank and Trust Company and the Citizens' Bank at Palm Beach, Florida, stopped runs to the paying tellers' windows started by the closing of three sister institutions. In this unusual picture, depositors of the Farmers' Bank, waiting to withdraw their funds, gather interestingly about an armoured car which has arrived with the emergency cash.



**TORNADO DAMAGE IN AMERICA.**—Sixty-one people were killed and 150 injured when a tornado practically wiped out the little town of Rock Springs, Texas. As this picture shows, wreckage was strewn all over the landscape. Before the storm an automobile agency stood on this spot. The building was demolished and several motor cars were wrecked as completely as if they had been hit by a train. The trees also give mute evidence of the wind's fury.



**NOTED AIRMEN.**—At the end of their long air trail Bert Acosta and Clarence Chamberlin, who broke the world's non-stop flight record, are pictured here with their overjoyed wives when they had landed on Long Island, New York, after more than 51 hours in the air. Left to right are Mrs. Acosta, Acosta, Chamberlin, Mrs. Chamberlin and G. M. Bellanca, designer of the Wright monoplane the two men flew. Since then, Chamberlin has flown from New York to Germany.



**PRECAUTIONS.**—With the crest of the Mississippi flood creeping south, desperate preventive measures have been taken at New Orleans to keep the swift current from breaking the levees. Hundreds of thousands of sandbags, such as are shown here, were piled along the city water front.



**MISSING AIRMAN.**—Captain Charles Nungesser, French ace, who with his companion, Major Francois Coli, vanished into the air while flying from Paris to New York. American, French and Canadian planes and merchant and naval craft have been combing the North Atlantic for them, and news cables published to-day report that they have been found in Canada.



**WAITED IN VAIN.**—Impatiently waiting at Gotham to greet Nungesser and Coli, the French Paris-to-New York airmen, were (above, left) Leigh Wade, one of the U. S. Army round-the-world flyers, and Robert E. Nungesser, of Washington, D. C. Nungesser's brother. In a 40-mile-an-hour speedboat, prepared to race to the spot where the flyers were to alight in New York bay and obtain close-up action pictures of their arrival, was a press photographer.

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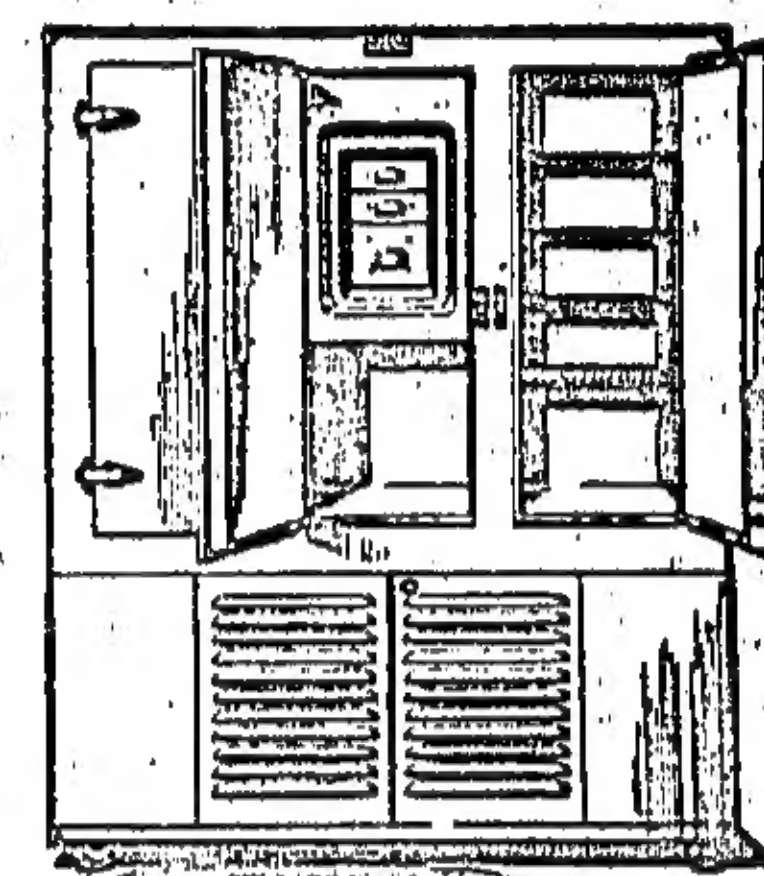
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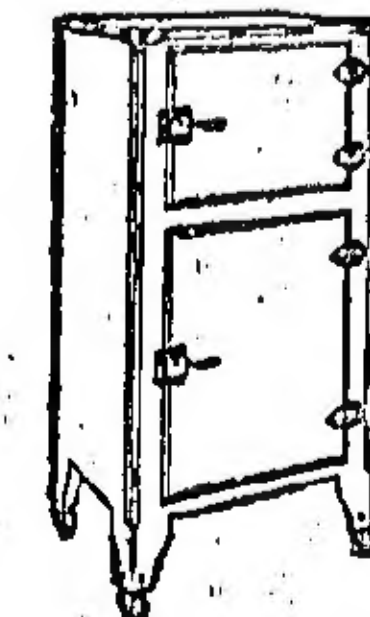
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Although anti-English propaganda seemed to be at its height at that time, on no single occasion did I see an anti-English or anti-British news item emanating from Nauen. Compared with news from other sources, it seemed at times to be even pro-English to a fault, but I satisfied myself that it is as unbiased, invariably, as a news agency can be. No doubt a considerable change has come over its policy since The Times had occasion to castigate it so severely. But it is obvious that, at a time of crisis such as the present, when practically all other reports are more or less virulently anti-British, the effect of the Nauen dispatches on many millions of readers in the Far East is extremely favourable to the Empire.

Consequent upon the erection of a military camp at Shamshui, several eating houses have sprung up and are supplying the troops with refreshments. Among these are a number of proprietors who are selling intoxicating drinks without licences. Two of these men were this morning fined \$50 each by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy.

### CHINA SITUATION.

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Now nothing on the railway between his forces and those of Feng Yu-hsiang and Tang Sheng-chih, though neither of the latter has crossed the Yellow River or is likely at the moment to do so, since both are busy watching one another and neither feels strong enough to venture on a campaign into the north. It is positively asserted by Yen Shih-shan's agents who have been here that his pro-Kuomintang gesture was not hostile to Chang Tso-lin but was meant to checkmate Feng Yu-hsiang whom he fears and distrusts—as do all factions. Before making his venture into the arena he arranged for the withdrawal of the Fengtien troops to points north of Shih-chih-chuang, where his railway connects with the Peking-Hankow line, and the Fengtien line now extends from Paoingfu on the railway, to Tamingfu, on the Wei River in southern Chihli, so that the fighting between Fengtien and the Kuomintang on the Yellow River is over. The Red Spears, who are hostile to everyone, helped to make their position untenable. Incidentally this farmers' defence league is growing by leaps and bounds in every northern province and has become much more the horror of the Northern militarists than the Kuomintang soldiery.

#### Feng Yu-hsiang on Fence.

Feng Yu-hsiang, who has come in from the west to Chengchow has 30,000 effective troops of his own 1st Kuominchun, and a vast rabble of worthless Honan, Shensi and Kansu soldiery upon whom he counts not at all. As everyone knows he is on the fence, as usual, and proposes to do nothing in the immediate future. He is in correspondence with Chiang Kai-shek, who has appointed him commander-in-chief for the north, while giving precisely the same title to Yen Shih-shan. If it looks as though Hankow is going to be weaker than Nanking, he will abandon all Russian connexions, declare the Hankow regime an outlaw organization and turn on Tang Sheng-chih. If Nanking totters he will join forces with Tang Sheng-chih and fight whatever alliance Chiang would then be forced to make with the north.

Tang Sheng-chih is now in no position to fight anyone and certainly would not attempt to move further north without strong allies. Feng Yu-hsiang cannot make an advance upon Peking from Kansu, via Pao-tou, Suifu and Kalgan, because he needs all his available strength in his present position which, with Yen Shih-shan, openly against him, may prove to be a tight corner.

#### Wu Pei-fu's Retirement.

It develops, moreover, that Wu Pei-fu's retirement as a monk in the Sungshan district of south-western Honan, was not quite what it seemed to be.

He is reorganizing an army of 50,000 men that now holds positions in the very mountainous country from Hsiangyang on the Han River, in Hupeh, to Nanyang in Honan, which latter place is within striking distance of Feng Yu-hsiang's rear, while the former is always a menace to Hankow. He would have made a flanking movement on Tang Sheng-chih before this, by way of Nanyang towards the Peking-Hankow railway had the Red Spears, who are as tired of him as of everyone else, not threatened to harry any movement through their territory.

Tang Sheng-chih's losses from encounters with Fengtien soldiery and Red Spears have been enormous. The wounded in Hankow are only a sample, and there is good reason to believe that his dead and incapacitated number not less than 30,000. The nature of the country north of the Hupeh-Honan watershed and particularly the nature of the food has been more demoralizing than the losses. Chiang Kai-shek's southerners are being affected in the same way by diet and environment, as we have ample reason to know, and this is having its proper effect upon the political situation.

#### Everybody Negotiating.

Negotiations are going on in every possible direction. Each factional leader has delegates in the camps of all the others and whatever anyone of them says about a capital here or a capital there, the secret determination of each is to get to Peking eventually. There are going to be strange alliances and startling betrayals. In a general way, however, it looks as though Chiang Kai-shek feels the weakness of his position as a crusader, since some of the most influential Kuomintang saints are still in Hankow, and he knows the weakness of his military position since the Kwangsi and Chekiang men feel that they have gone far enough from home and want to make sure of what they have instead of venturing into the recesses of the north. He would therefore like to save his face and get a temporary rest by coming to terms with Fengtien and Sun Chuan-fang, leaving them alone in the north if they subscribe to the Three Principles,

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	Parcels	1 p.m.
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	G. P. O.	Registration 8.45 a.m.
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Swatow	Hopsang	Wed., June 22, 8.30 a.m.
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Straits and Calcutta	Kutangsang	Wed., June 22, 1 p.m.
	Parcels	noon
	Letters	1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	Fri., June 24, Noon
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Mantua	Sat., June 25, K. P. O.
	Parcels	24th 4.30 p.m.
	Reg.	25th 9 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
	G. P. O.	Parcels 24th 5 p.m.
	Reg.	25th 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
		(Due Marseilles, 22nd July.)
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Kitano Maru	Tues., June 28, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Empress of Asia	Tues., June 28, 8.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt, and Europe via Marseilles	Sarpedon	Sun., June 29, K. P. O.
	Registration	9 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
	G. P. O.	Registration 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.

\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

while using Feng Yu-hsiang to help him to wipe out the Hankow regime, in return for which Feng would get Hankow. Feng Yu-hsiang was, of course bound for Peking and has undoubtedly been offered Peking by Borodin's tools in Chengchow, but prefers now to wait developments.

#### Sun's Position.

If Sun Chuan-fang succeeds Chang Tsung-chang as Governor of Shantung he will please the Fengtienites by ridding them of Chang Tsung-chang and putting a more welcome force between them and Chiang Kai-shek, while he will give the latter an excuse for stopping his advance and entering into an amicable agreement, by hanging out the Kuomintang flag, as Yen Shih-shan has done, and declaring himself a supporter of the Three Principles. This is well known, he is ready to do. Also Chiang Kai-shek declares himself ready enough to enter upon the same relations, on the same terms, with Yang Yu-ting, Chang Hsueh-liang and other younger Fengtien leaders who show "Nationalist" tendencies, but to please his political adherents in Nanking, he has to insist upon the withdrawal and retirement of Chang Tso-lin.

Such an agreement, thinks Chiang Kai-shek, would enable him to devote his attention to making himself supreme dictator over all the provinces held by various factions of the Kuomintang, after which he could again turn his attention to the north, while the Northerners, one and all, have no thought of a permanent adherence to the south or a lasting adherence to Southern doctrines, but hope to gain time, by declaring themselves

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The Regimental Concert Party of the second battalion of the King's Own Scottish Borderers scored a great success last night at the Cinema Hall, Mount Austin Barracks, when, in their first venture, they presented a bright and lively programme which was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience present.

The party, which has been christened the "Kocky Ollly Birds," has been rehearsing for the past three weeks, and it says much for their enthusiasm and abilities that they were able to produce such a breezy entertainment.

The programme was, long, but was judiciously varied in such a manner that it never became monotonous. There was naturally a strong Scotch accent noticeable but this only added to the charm of the concert. Songs, both humorous and sentimental, were pleasingly varied with poetry and small scenes, and successful efforts were made to provide as much laughter as possible.

Those contributing were Messrs. Rice Reid, Jimmy Jeffreys, Jack Smith, Ronny Rudland, Danny Docherty, Rabbie Byrne, and "Miss" Betty May. All the artists were warmly applauded, and many encores were given.

Miss Holly Mahony was the accompanist at the piano, the stage manager being Mr. Billy Bardell and the scenic effects being by Mr. P.N.R. Bruno.

At the commencement, and during the interval, the band of the 2nd Battalion of the K.O.S.B.'s rendered selections under the direction of Bandmaster W. H. Fitzearle, A.R.C.M., which were much enjoyed.

The concert will be repeated at the Royal Naval Canteen Theatre to-night at 8.30 p.m.

## TROOP CONCERTS.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BAND  
AT PEKING ROAD.

Another excellent concert for the troops was given at the Peking Road Y.M.C.A., Kowloon last evening when the band of the 1st Batt. Northamptonshire Regiment, by permission of Lt. Col. S.H.J. Thunder, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C. and officers, played selections. The latter included "A Coon's Day Out," "Wedding of the Rose," "Samson and Delilah," "The Grasshopper Dance," "The Shoe," and "The Geisha." The band was conducted by Mr. W. Cresswell, L.R.A.M.

The programme also included a number of well rendered vocal and humorous items, the artists being Mrs. McLeod, (mezzo-soprano), Mrs. Mather, (elocutionist), Miss Punccheon, (vocal selections), Miss Achison, (elocutionist), Mrs. W. Johnston, (humorist) and Mr. A. Chapman, (tenor).

## PROPERTY SALE.

ELGIN STREET HOUSE AT  
\$25,600.

There was a fair attendance at Messrs. Lummet's Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon, when property situated in Elgin Street, Victoria was put up for sale and knocked down to Mr. Sang Fat at \$25,600.

The property in question was Section E of Inland Lot No. 119 together with the buildings thereon known as 40 Elgin Street. Opening at \$20,000 with bids of \$200 acceptable, brisk bidding took place, with keen competition amongst the prospective buyers. The highest single bid was \$600 in the earlier stages, but the sale was concluded at minimum raises as stated above.

TERRORISM IN  
SHANGHAI.DRAMATIC MURDER OF COAL  
BROKER.

A Chinese coal broker by the name of Ling Toong-pau, living at 127 East Yalu Road, Shanghai, was murdered by five armed assassins as he was walking with his wife in an alleyway near their home at 10.15 o'clock last Thursday night. Two of the men alleged to be connected with the crime, have been arrested.

The broker and his wife were returning home after visiting friends and while walking through the dark lane, five men approached them, threw an electric light on them and, without saying a word, fired four shots. They then ran away before police could get to the scene.

Two of the shots entered Ling's body. He was put into a ricksha immediately by his wife and taken to St. Luke's Hospital, but he died before reaching there.

## Two Men Charged.

The two men who have been arrested in connection with the crime were brought before Judge Ling on Friday in the Provisional Court when it was brought out that Ling's wife had recognized the men as being former friends, with whom they had some trouble over a gambling game during the Chinese New Year.

She had no more than reported this to the police in Harbin Road station than one of the accused came in to inquire about the murder. He was immediately arrested. The other was arrested by police in the Louza district at his home.

On Friday in the Court, both of the men said that they had abided as to their movements from 10 to 11 o'clock on the night of the murder, and denied having been in the vicinity of where it was committed. After hearing the police evidence, the case was remanded.

SUCCESSFUL  
EXERCISES.B. I. COMPANY GAIN  
FIRST PLACE.

H.M.S. Castor, of the Second Cruiser Squadron, headed the Fleet in order of merit, with 146 successful exercises, a good total, although below those of the Hawkins (164) and Vendictive (185) which topped the two previous lists.

On the mercantile side, the British India Steam Navigation Company has regained first place, with 111, which it lost in the previous quarter to the British Tanker Company, which is now third with 103. Second place is taken by the P. and O. Company, with 110 exercises. Results deemed worthy of special mention include those obtained by the steamships Kaying and Sunning, in China, which engaged in continuous signalling by semaphore for approximately three hours with the sloop Bluebell. The steamship Maloja is also commended for exceptionally good flashing signals with the Castor at distances of from six to eight miles.

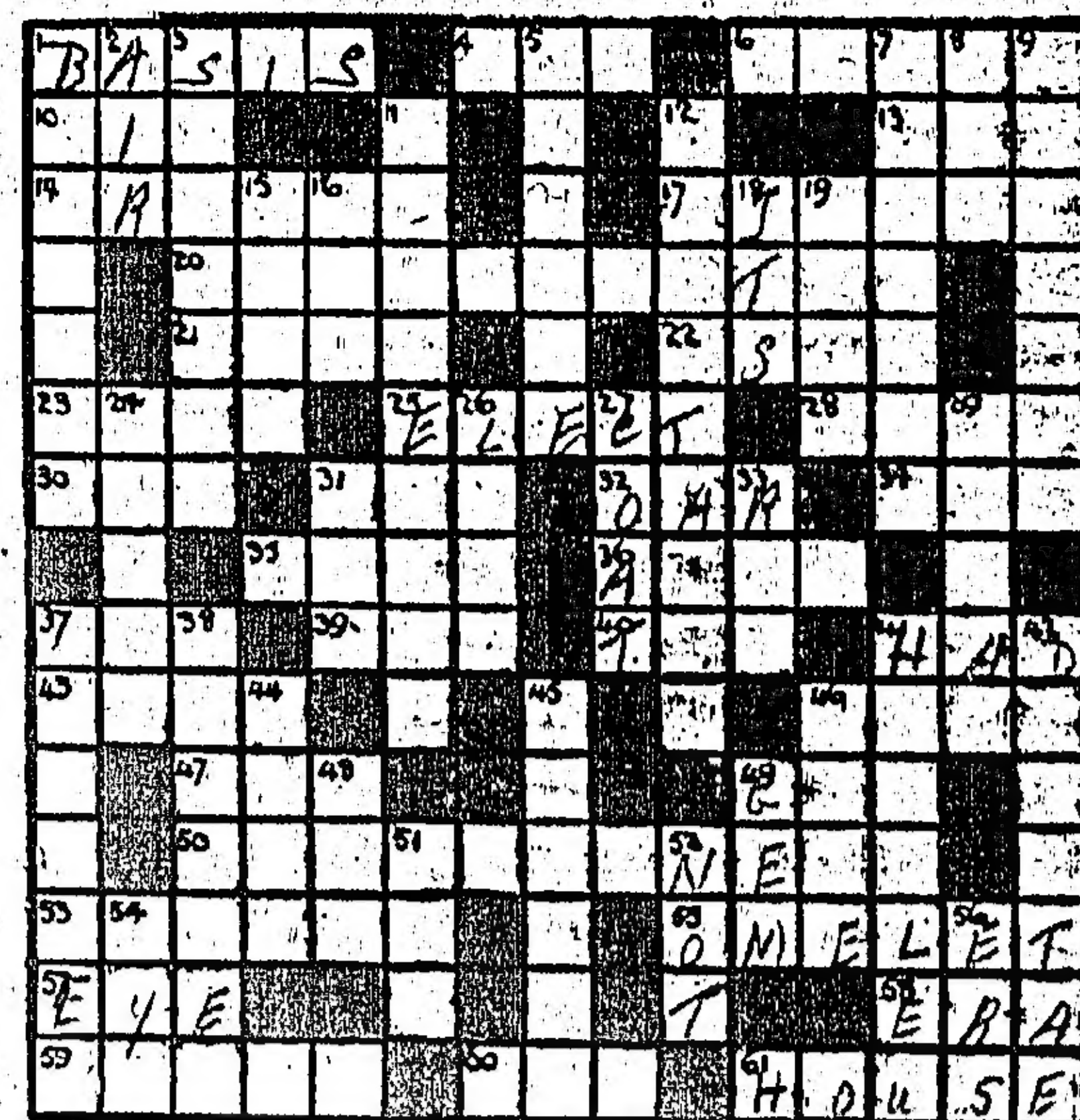
## THE BALKANS.

COMPLETE RUPTURE  
BETWEEN YUGO-SLAVIA AND  
ALBANIA.

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A complete rupture of Yugo-Slav Albanian relations has been reached.—*Reuter*.

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## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



## Across.

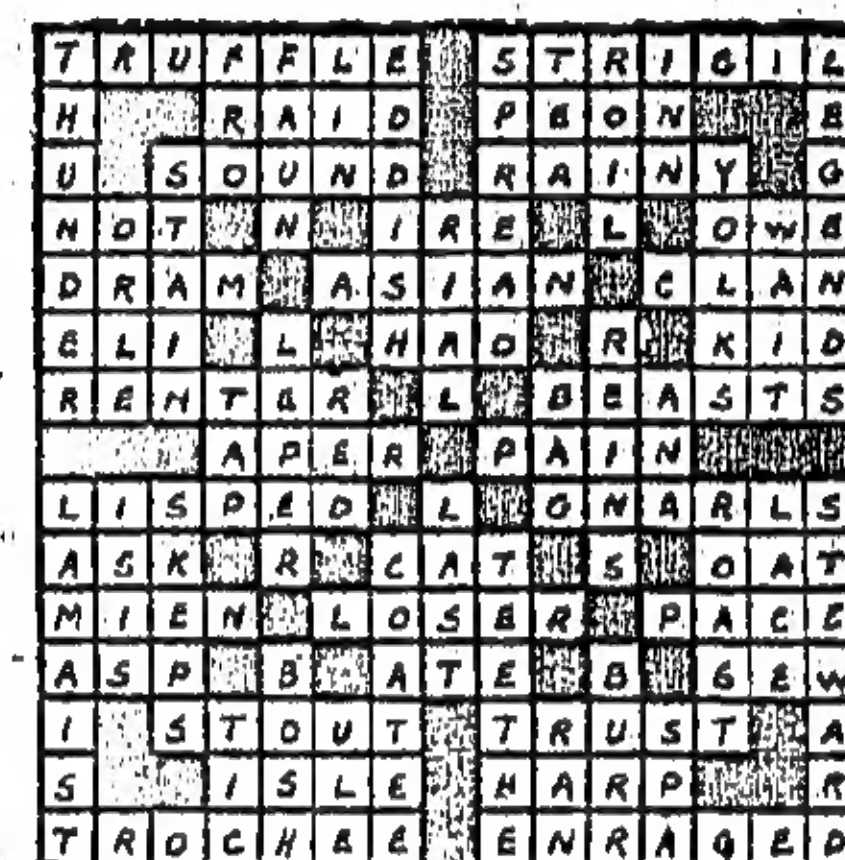
- 1 Pertaining to the base.
- 4 Demand.
- 6 Enough (Shak.).
- 10 Object.
- 13 Boy's name.
- 14 Baby's bed.
- 17 Long violent speech.
- 20 Ravished with delight.
- 21 Acid.
- 22 Fungus cells.
- 23 A three at cards (Shak.).
- 25 Chose by ballot.
- 28 South African striped antelope.
- 30 Ever.
- 31 Single.
- 32 Used in propulsion.
- 34 Silent.
- 35 Delightful.
- 36 Discard.
- 37 Sever.
- 39 Allow.
- 40 Starting point.
- 41 Possessed.
- 43 Possessive pronoun.
- 46 Biddists sacred language.
- 47 Collection of sayings.
- 49 Fish.
- 50 Those who keep others.
- 53 Specimen.
- 55 Dish made of egg.
- 57 Organ of vision.
- 58 Age.
- 59 Word occurring many times in the psalms.
- 60 Gas fitting.
- 61 Dwelling.

## Down.

- 1 Berried.
- 2 Atmosphere.
- 3 Slight superficial knowledge.
- 5 Plant.
- 7 Greek measure.
- 8 Mass of foliage.
- 9 Catkin.

- 11 Condemned.
- 12 Artifice in war.
- 15 Low cart.
- 16 Roman household deity.
- 18 It is (contraction).
- 19 Mind.
- 24 Theatrical exhibition.
- 25 List of candidates (Scotland).
- 27 Article of clothing.
- 29 After the manner of a duke.
- 31 Insoluble in water.
- 33 Regret.
- 37 Takes by preference.
- 38 Kind of nut.
- 41 Cocked heart of a hog.
- 42 Piano key.
- 44 Break quickly.
- 45 Virtuous.
- 46 Cut level.
- 48 Be ill.
- 49 Precious stone.
- 51 Novel.
- 52 Negative.
- 54 Affirmative.
- 56 Before.

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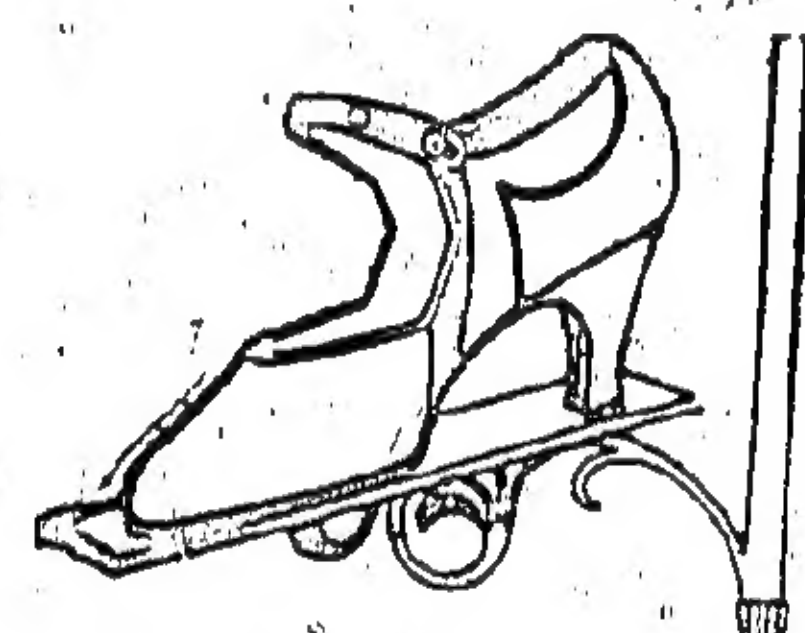
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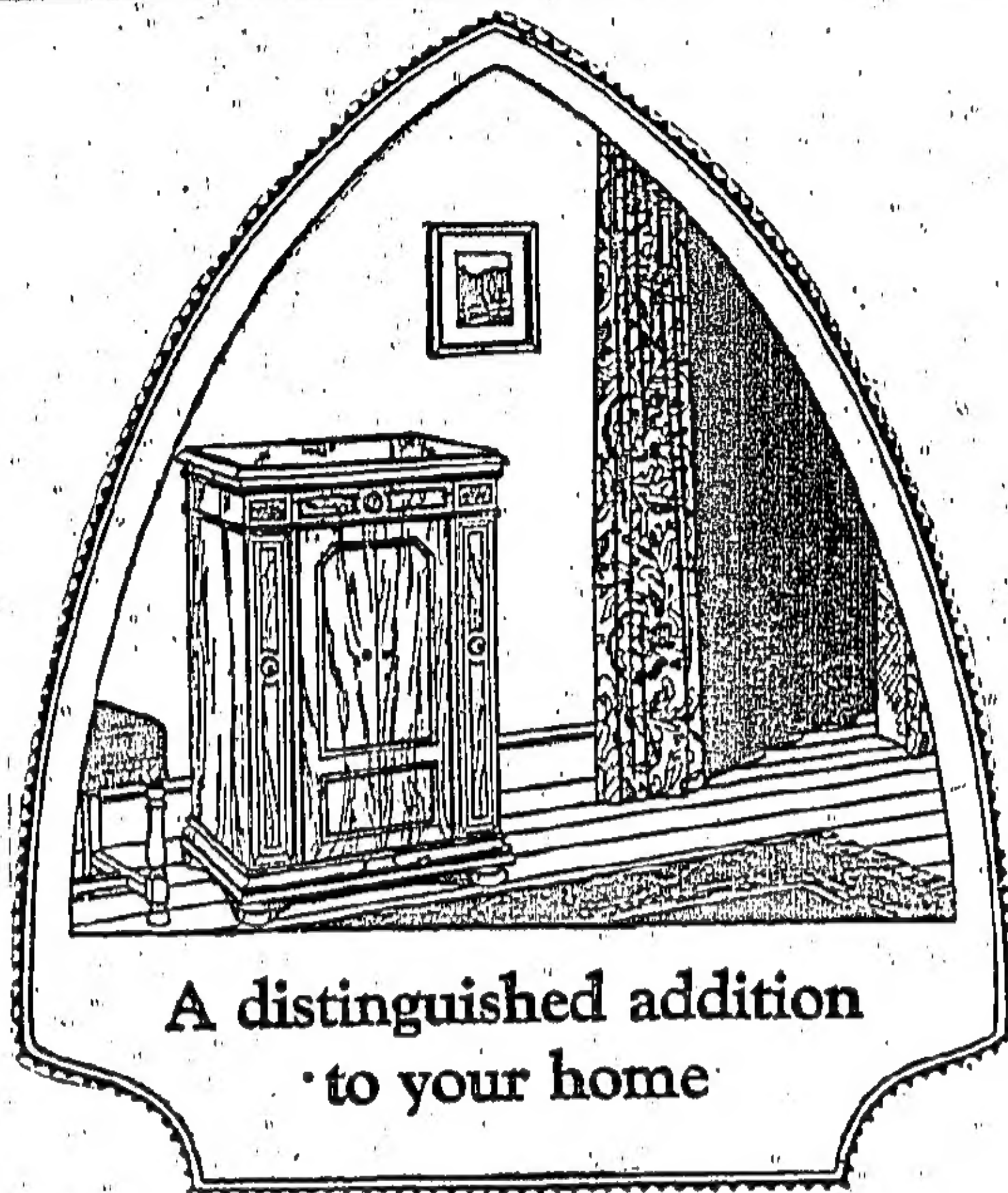
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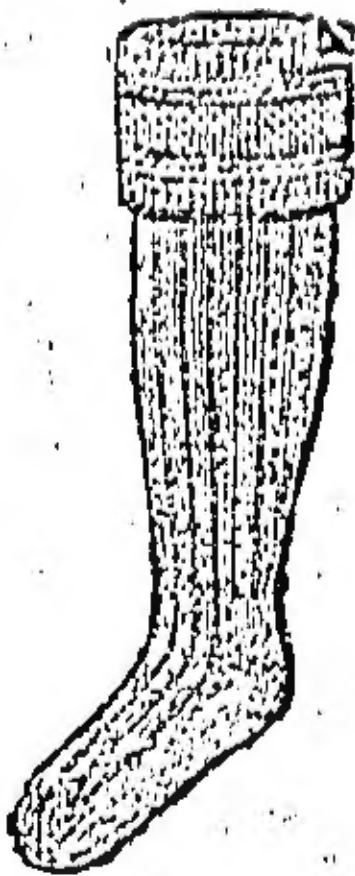
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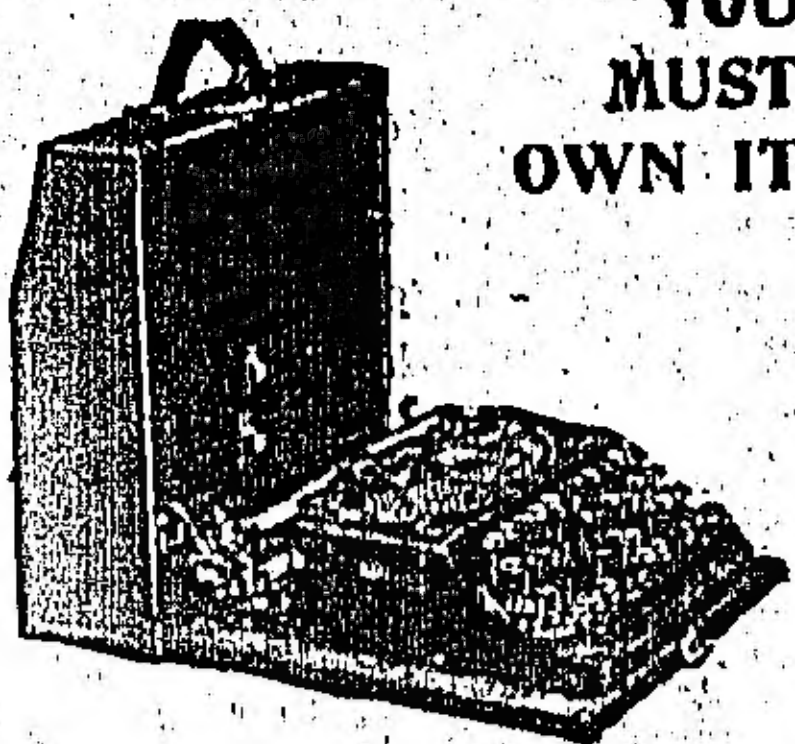
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THE TRADES UNION  
BILL.

Among yesterday's cable news was an item recording that the Committee Stage of the Trade Unions Bill had been passed by the House of Commons with the help of the gullible procedure, and we cannot refrain from deploring the fact that the Government is pushing this measure through the House with all the weight of its big majority but in face of what is obviously widespread feeling against the Bill throughout the country. In our issue of yesterday, we published a short review of a brochure on the subject of this Bill and on the whole question of Trade Union law and we wish it were possible for all our readers to study the little book which Mr. Ramsay Muir has compiled. It is admitted that there are anomalies in the law as it now stands but the author goes on to show that this is the wrong season in which to introduce such a controversial measure, and that in order to limit the powers of the Union one has to define what their powers are going to be—a very difficult and dangerous task. The attitude of the Government would seem to be that the Bill is designed to establish certain principles, such as, that a general strike is illegal, that intimidation is illegal, and so forth. Superficially, that attitude is very right and reasonable, and there would be few men who would assert that such things should not be illegal. But, unfortunately, the difficulty of so drafting a Bill limiting the powers of the Trade Unions as to be proof against ambiguity and unreasonable construction in the Courts, is not a point of small detail but the crux of the whole matter upon which the Government has created a very solid feeling against it throughout the working class people of the country. It is a fact which must not be lost sight of that the Unions distrust the Courts, and the vague, loose wording of Clauses 1 and 3, which are the vital Clauses of the Bill, will leave many matters to be decided in cases brought before the Courts. Labour looks askance at the whole procedure, and much harm has been done to the cause of industrial peace at home by the introduction of the measure.

The Bill is, in view of the chastened temper of Labour since the

failure of the general strike and also the coal strike of last year, extremely inopportune, a fact which is proved by the statistics of time lost through industrial disputes during the first three months of 1927. The aggregate of "days lost" during the quarter was only 350,000, and for the previous seven years the comparable figures were:—

1920	3,070,000
1921	1,260,000
1922	3,420,000
1923	1,300,000
1924	2,070,000
1925	320,000
1926	1,240,000

Nor is there this year, as there has been in most of the above years, serious conflict in one or more industries foreshadowed. Yet it is now, for the first time since the war, there is evidence of a general desire to allow the self-inflicted wounds of industry to heal, that the Government has brought forward a proposal for injecting an irritant into them. Is the marked improvement in the position—of which the above figures give evidence—to be the beginning of better things, or is it merely a necessary breathing-space between one exhausting struggle and another? The answer rested with the present Government; and the right answer is certainly not the Bill. The weight of the Government's majority will doubtless succeed in carrying the Bill through the Commons before the Autumn recess, and the House of Lords will probably find the measure one to its liking. There seems little doubt but that it will be passed, but we are of opinion that Mr. Stanley Baldwin and his fellow Ministers in the Government are making a very profound error and are failing to read aright the altered spirit of the times.

## British Films.

It is very interesting to observe that the Home Government, after discussion with members of the trade, have decided to insert amendments in the Cinema Film Quota Bill, which was mooted a long time ago, and introduced as a concrete measure early this year. The agitation against a certain type of American film led to the project for elimination of the cheaper varieties, as well as counter-action to the system whereby the booking at cinema theatres throughout the British Isles was taken up years in advance by American agents, under special rates that obliged the exhibitors to show practically an entirely trans-Atlantic programme. Admitted the British product is often more expensive to hire, it is certainly worth its price, the best of the recent productions being at least equal to the super films from the United States. Many proprietors of picture houses, in addition to the patriotic urge, have desired to show home films as a commercial step in the right direction, but have been prevented by the advance-booking system. The Home Government's Bill is intended to do away with this block-booking, and "blind" booking, by making a proportion of British pictures obligatory at every show. The only criticism was the possible creation of a pampered industry, and this is to be countered by the modifications cabled yesterday—the quota system is to operate only for a period of 12 years, and the maximum obligatory percentage of home-manufactured films is to be 20 instead of the proposed 25 per cent. Thus the objections of the trade, against permanent protection, have been met in a spirit of wise compromise, and nothing should stand in the way of those who are introducing legislation to assist the British product. The United States has the climatic advantages that Britain does not possess for open-air scenes, but modern invention and improvements have enabled the studio to make up a great deal for what is not had out-of-doors. Again, many films do not require "wild West" types of backgrounds, and historical pictures can best be produced where history has been for hundreds of years in the making. With reorganisation of the Home industry, co-operation among the producers, and the assistance that the proposed legislation is to give, there should be a marked increase in both the output of British films and the demand for them. It is now "up to" the industry to prove that it is capable of taking advantage of the aid it is to receive, and when the quota no longer operates compulsorily it is to be hoped the proportion of home pictures will be maintained, or even increased, on their sheer merits.

## DAY BY DAY.

LOVE IS THE ONLY POSSESSION  
WHICH WE CARRY WITH US BEYOND  
THE GRAVE.—Madame Necker.There was a clean bill of health  
in the Colony yesterday.King Gustav, of Sweden, cele-  
brates his 68th birthday to-day.To the list of the Hongkong  
and Wuchow river boats is added  
the s.s. Shing On.The destroyers Walsey and  
Woolston, now serving with the  
third flotilla in China, are to re-  
turn to Malta.Nominations for the election of  
a Justice of the Peace to the  
Licensing Board, on Tuesday next,  
closed yesterday, but no nomi-  
nations have been received.Decree absolute was granted by  
Judge Peter Grain, at the  
British Supreme Court, on Friday  
morning, in the divorce case of  
Mrs. M. M. Gaude against W. J.  
Grande. It will be remembered  
that the decree nisi was granted  
by His Honour on December 7,  
1926.In last year's report the direc-  
tors of the Great Northern Tele-  
graph informed shareholders that  
coming years might be expected  
to show less satisfactory results.  
Although conditions have not  
changed since then, directors feel  
justified in proposing a dividend  
of 20 per cent.Major and Brevet Lieutenant-  
Colonel R. T. Lee, C.M.G., D.S.O.,  
O.B.E., from the Queen's Royal  
Regiment, has been promoted to  
Command the 2nd Battalion of the  
Durham Light Infantry, now at  
Shanghai, in the place of Lieute-  
nant-Colonel J. W. Jeffreys, D.S.O.,  
whose tenure of command expired  
on April 29.A fishing club has been formed  
in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. It is  
proposed that an outing will be  
held once a week, and the charge  
for members will be twenty cents.  
Fishing members will have to  
provide their own gear, while the  
Y.M.C.A. will provide the sampans.  
Those interested should send in  
their names to the Y.M.C.A.Mrs. Alice Tweedie gave two  
"house-warming parties" recently,  
her flat at Devonshire House be-  
ing too small to accommodate all  
her friends at one time. Among  
those who accepted "invitations"  
were the Japanese Ambassador  
and Baroness Matsui, Lady (Ro-  
nald) Maclean, General Sir Francis  
and Lady Young, General Sir  
Claude and Lady Severn, Colonel  
Etherton, Lady Manson, Sir  
Charles and Lady Addis, Sir Deni-  
son Ross, Sir Newton and Lady  
Stubb, General Sir Ian and Lady  
Hamilton.Under date of June 9th, Messrs.  
Wheelock and Company report that  
the freight situation at Hankow is  
still very unsettled;—there seems  
to be a certain amount of cargo  
still drifting in from the interior  
and from the Upper Yangtze but  
the bulk of the cargo which had  
accumulated at Hankow has been  
shipped off. As far as the lower  
Yangtze is concerned, the retreat  
of the Northern forces has opened  
the river to unrestricted trading  
and the convoy system has now  
been discontinued—but in the  
meantime trade has come to a  
standstill.Eastern Extension Telegraph—  
Gross revenue of the Eastern Ex-  
tension Australasia and China  
Telegraph Co., Ltd., for 1926 was  
£2,047,835, from which is deduct-  
ed £633,901 for ordinary expenses,  
and £237,157 for maintenance of  
cables, ships and special expendi-  
ture, leaving a balance of £1,115-  
975. After deductions there re-  
mains a balance of £961,956, to  
which is added £413,434 brought  
forward, making a total available  
balance of £1,365,430. From this  
£550,000 is transferred to general  
reserve fund. Four dividends of  
2½ p.c. each have been paid, leav-  
ing balance of £415,430 to be car-  
ried forward.Admiral Sir William Good-  
enough, who has been Commander-  
in-Chief at the Nore since March  
5, 1924, hauled down his flag on  
May 15 on the expiration of the  
usual three-year period, and was  
succeeded by Admiral Sir E. S.  
Alexander-Sinclair, who has re-  
cently returned home from China  
on being relieved by Vice-Admiral  
Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt. The Chief  
of Staff to Admiral Alexander-  
Sinclair will be Captain E. B. S.  
Bingham, V.C., O.B.E., late in com-  
mand of the Nore Reserve Flotilla.  
The Admiral will have the same  
Secretary as in China, and in  
earlier commands, Paymaster  
Commander H. W. Woodward, and  
also the same Assistant Secretary,  
Paymaster Lieutenant J. A. Hus-  
sey.LEUNG KWONG  
INQUEST.

EVIDENCE BY CAPT. THOMAS.

Evidence as to the method of  
safely navigating Capsicum Pass  
was given by Captain R. D.  
Thomas at the Central Magistracy  
this morning, when the inquest on  
the victims who were drowned  
when the s.s. Leung Kwong sank  
after coming into collision with  
the launch Moonshine in the pass,  
was continued, before Mr. R. E.  
Lindsell, Lieut. Commander G. F.  
Hole, and a special jury.Mr. T. G. Bennett is appearing  
for the owners, coxswain and crew  
of the Moonshine, Mr. G. K. Hall  
Brutton for Captain Wilson of the  
Leung Kwong, and Mrs. Martin,  
the widow of Mr. F. E. A. Martin  
who was drowned, and Mr. G. S.  
Hugh Jones for the owners of the  
Leung Kwong.This morning Captain Thomas  
said he had been in command of  
one of the Steamboat Company's  
ships for 26 years. In reply to  
Mr. Lindsell witness said he would  
most decidedly be on the bridge of  
his ship when going through Cap-  
sicum Pass. When he approach-  
ed the pass from the West he  
usually stood on an almost due  
East course until Green Island or  
its light showed through the pass.  
He then usually put his helm to  
starboard and came down the  
Channel, on the Lan Tau Island  
side, where the water was deepest.Witness said he knew the Moon-  
shine and added that it had about  
the same draught as the Leung  
Kwong.Mr. Lindsell.—Evidence has  
been given by the coxswain of the  
Moonshine that coming from the  
West he stood over to a point  
about 500 feet from the red light  
at Ma Hon, and then turned prac-  
tically due South towards Lan  
Tau. Would you say that was  
reasonable navigation?—No, I  
should not.Witness went on to say that at  
the time of the collision the tide  
would be about half ebb and would  
be fairly strong, between two-and-  
a-half and three knots. There-  
fore if the coxswain stood straight  
on for the red light until only 500  
feet away, there was a danger of  
him going on a reef which was  
there.Mr. Bennett said, with due de-  
ference, that he did think the  
coxswain had said so. He had not  
been re-examined by the Court on  
the point, but what he obviously  
meant was that he took his boat  
further towards the light until he  
had straightened her out and the  
light was abeam, and he was then  
between four and five hundred feet  
from the light.In reply to Mr. Lindsell on the  
point, witness said it would be per-  
fectly safe for such a boat to go  
within 500 feet of the red light, but  
he would not call such a proceeding  
good navigation. He added that  
ships should pass the red light about  
the centre of the channel, about 300  
to 1,000 feet.Continuing, witness said if he  
was coming into the channel from  
the South and another vessel was  
approaching from the North he  
might see the approaching vessel's  
starboard light for a little while,  
and it would be quite usual to see  
two lights approaching him after-  
wards. Then he would expect to  
see the port lights only.Mr. Lindsell.—If you were keep-  
ing near the centre of the channel,  
and you saw two lights down almost  
on the same track, what would you  
do?—I should alter my course to  
starboard.Would you under any circum-  
stances alter your course to port, if  
there was a considerable distance  
between the ships and there was no  
immediate likelihood of a collision?  
—No.Questioned with regard to the  
sinking of the Leung Kwong, wit-  
ness said, if the collision had occur-  
red near the centre of the channel,  
it was possible that the Leung  
Kwong could have sunk near the  
shore of Lan Tau Island, if her en-  
gines had been going ahead, if she  
was assisted by the tide or had a  
list that way either before or after  
the collision, and if she took a full  
ten minutes to sink.

The inquest was adjourned.

This morning's Harbour Office  
reports gave 17 arrivals and 20  
departures, of which six and nine  
respectively were British, leaving  
67 vessels in harbour, British 24.The mistress of a cargo boat  
which was alongside the s.s.  
Apoc yesterday afternoon loading  
rice, has reported to the Police that  
one of her folk disappeared  
when the steamer sailed. It is her  
belief that the man was drowned,  
but there is a possibility of his hav-  
ing stowed away.A Chinese, charged before Major  
C. Wilson with returning from  
banishment, was sentenced to eight  
months' hard labour this morning.  
The defendant was convicted in  
1925 for stealing and was sent to  
prison for six months, in addition  
receiving twelve strokes with the  
birch. He was banished for ten  
years at the end of his term of im-  
prisonment.

## The Very Idea!

An official of the Eastern Sea  
Fisheries Joint Committee said re-  
cently: "A starfish is able to re-  
place lost parts in a relatively  
short time."It is understood that petrol sta-  
tions and garages are arranging  
to serve out starfish to all motor-  
ists."Now kiss the lady," mother  
said.  
"Oh, no!" replied the tot.  
"I would, but I'm afraid I'd get  
A slap—like father got."Magistrate at the Thames Police  
Court to a Maltese: Indicate  
which of the two persons you refer  
to. Maltese, pointing to a man  
who wore spats: The one with  
gloves on his feet.Solicitor at Bow County Court:  
Your husband is very assertive.  
Wife: Is he? Not to me.Husband at Willesden: I have  
been on night work for five years,  
and have had no proper sleep by  
day because of my wife's continual  
nagging.Man in Midlands, accused of  
fighting: It was a friendly fight,  
and I bear him no ill-will.Woman at Bow County Court: I  
shall talk as long as I like. I have  
to pay for it.The Literary Guild of Ameri-  
ca says that the reading of books  
shows a steady decrease in the  
United States. According to  
statistics published by the Guild,  
the amount spent for books was  
only 1.10 dollars per head of the  
population in 1926, while for  
sweets, ice-cream and sodawater,  
as much as 18.10 dollars was spent.I am a great lover of idleness.—  
The Earl of Balfour.Lawyers live by the natural mis-  
takes of laymen.—Judge Oliver.The common Englishman is a  
natural aristocrat.—Frederick  
A. W. Gough.A general strike for industrial  
purposes is general nonsense.—Mr.  
Philip Snowden.I would not live in South Africa  
with a wife and family for all the  
tea in China.—Sir Granville Ryrie.In the "History of the 60th Divi-  
sion, 1914-1918," written by  
Colonel P. H. Dalbiac, C.B.E., it  
is related that on the Doiran front a  
strong picket was kept on the Var-  
dar to prevent the enemy penetrat-  
ing between the British and the  
French.One day three Bulgars decided  
to surrender. They waded down  
the river till they came to the pic-  
ket, the men of which were fishing.  
They shouted to the Bulgars to go  
away, as they were disturbing the  
fish.The Bulgars moved along the  
shore, and surrendered to an  
A.S.C. unit six miles in the rear."And what's this here thing go-  
ing to be?" asked the rich man's  
wife."An Italian staircase," said the  
architect of the new mansion."Waste of time," said she. "We  
shan't ever have any Italians to  
see us."The Archdeacon of Norwich's  
lament over the gloomy and "dis-  
torted" view of life presented by  
the ordinary newspaper is not very  
reasonable. A newspaper does  
not profess to give a picture of  
the virtuous life. That is taken  
for granted: it is the exceptions,  
the freaks, the disturbances, that  
call for notice. A state of war  
necessarily demands more news-  
paper space than a state of peace.  
Perhaps the best reply to the Arch-  
deacon is the Manchester Guard-  
ian's remarks thatIt would be an ill day for him  
and everybody else if the news-  
papers were found full of large  
— headlines over records of "good-  
ness, simple piety, honourable  
conduct, sincerity, and loving-  
kindness." It would mean that  
these things were so rare that  
we had to be reminded that they  
existed at all.A few gems taken from essays  
written in a Welsh town by child-  
ren on the recent visit of the King  
and Queen to Cardiff.All Cardiff crowded in Queen  
Street when the Queen passed by.  
The King banged the door with a  
hamlet.The mountain police pushed the  
people back.The King never come in a ex-  
cursion.The King and Queen was dress-  
ed alright, but not like what you  
would expect.They welcomed the King with a  
mallet.In view of the dreadful condi-  
tion of the Chinese police deten-  
tion room at Shanghai, which is  
now filled up with prisoners ar-  
rested by the Shanghai and Woo-  
sung Police, Gen. Wu Chung-hsin  
has requested the chief military  
justice to find means of keeping  
these prisoners elsewhere, in or-  
der to prevent the spread of epi-  
demic.



## UNPLEASANTNESS IN HUNAN.

SOLDIERS' FAMILIES ANGRY WITH FARMERS.

## PEASANTS' FILCH PROPERTY.

Hankow, June 7. There has been considerable trouble in Hunan during the past month. General Tang Sen-chi's troops in Changsha having clashed with the very powerful communist Farmers' and Peasants' Union. Information from reliable sources has been difficult to obtain, but, judging from what is now available, it seems that the trouble was purely local and arose from the manner in which the Union had been confiscating and dividing among its members lands belonging to soldiers and officers who are at the front, particularly those of the 8th Army, which is a Hunanese formation.

### Shameful Deeds.

The Farmers' and Peasants' Union has also been treating the dependents of these troops shamefully, the culminating episode occurring when the father of General Ho Chien, one of General Tang Sen-chi's principal commanders, was hauled through the streets of Changsha with a rope round his neck.

Feeling run high, and when the Union, in an attempt, entirely to dominate the situation, tried to disarm the troops and seize their weapons for its own purposes, the troops revolted, attacked the Union headquarters, executed the head of the Union and drove the farmers and peasants southwards to near Singtan. There 50,000 of the latter have gathered, 2,000 armed with guns and the remainder with spears, awaiting an opportunity to attack Changsha.

### Troops Friendly to Hankow.

As already stated, the trouble is local. That is to say, the troops are still friendly to the Hankow Government, which has issued various mandates to restrict the activities of the Farmers' and Peasants' Union *vis-a-vis* the troops. Further, the troops concerned are particularly loyal to their Hunanese-born commander, General Tang Sen-chi, who at present commands on the Hunan front. There he is throwing into the heavy fighting any troops other than his own 8th Army and endeavouring to build up a position which will give him control of the Hankow Government, and, power to maintain the rupture with General Chiang Kai-shek, to his own aggrandizement.

## BRITAIN AND SOVIET.

### ESPIONAGE CHARGES REPUTED.

London, June 15. In the House of Commons to-day, a Labour member asked whether any of the twenty Russians recently executed were employed as spies by the British Mission to Russia.

Mr. G. Locker Lampson, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied, "The answer is emphatically in the negative. I would refer to the statement recently given to the Press by His Majesty's late Charge d'Affaires in Moscow, which is a complete refutation of the charges made by the Soviet Government."

This statement was fully reproduced in the British Wireless of June 12.

Mr. Locker Lampson told another Labour member that the initiative to improve Anglo-Russian relations should come from the Soviet Government, whose hostile activities had compelled the British Government to suspend diplomatic relations.

The Soviet Government knew perfectly well that if they come forward with constructive proposals, we are ready to consider them, but first of all they must desist from propaganda against this country.

The Sui An (Captain Smith), was undocked this morning, and will resume service on the Macao run at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

### POET'S CORNER.

#### A GIFT OF FLOWERS.

As in the stillness here at eve  
I sat, and reckoned life's grim  
tragedies.  
The joys that come to us and  
leave.  
An under-tone of bitter  
parodies.  
My gaze alighted on a bowl  
Of flowers, poppies white, and  
red, and pink.  
Left for me by some kindly soul:  
Blooms that made memories  
spring to mind and link  
That hour with a day long past,  
And happiness that grew—but  
could not last.

V. HUGHES.

## BRITON'S CASE FOR SHANGHAI.

OPPOSED TO CHINESE RULE IN SETTLEMENT.

### LOCAL MERCHANTS' STAKE.

"I think I can write with knowledge gained from quite recent experience. I have lived over 20 years in Shanghai, and latterly I was for five years chairman of the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce and I set for several years on the Municipal Council, of which I was vice-chairman until I retired in 1925," says Mr. E. F. Mackay in a letter from Geneva to the *Times*.

The letter continues: "I particularly wish to emphasize how dangerous it will be to hand over to the Chinese the control of municipal affairs which has been granted to them in Hankow over the British concession. As briefly as possible I will explain why. The Shanghai International Settlement is run practically as a small and wealthy republic, and the people who benefit most and have a great financial stake in it are the Chinese of the merchant class, the backbone of the nation. Government is conducted by a council of nine members, six British, two American and one Japanese, under laws and regulations issued by the foreign Powers concerned and approved by the Chinese Government."

"The principal permanent officials are:

(1) The Commissioner-General who is the go-between, the senior officials and the council.

(2) The Commissioner of Police (Police, Volunteers, etc.).

(3) The Commissioner of Works (roads, drains, land, buildings, etc.).

(4) The Engineer and Manager of the Electricity Department.

(5) The Secretary.

There are four principal committees:

(1) The Finance Committee (finances staff, etc.).

(2) The Watch Committee (Police, Volunteers, fire brigade).

(3) The Works Committee (roads, traffic, land, etc.).

(4) The Electricity Committee (three elected by taxpayers, two members of council).

"The committee meet as required, at least once a week, and the Council once a week. At all times daily dossiers are being circulated to members of council regarding the various matters enumerated above, and members of Council (all of them heads of firms having large interests in the place) must be prepared temporarily to lay aside the business they are occupied with and attend promptly to these dossiers, read over the matter under discussion (correspondence on hand questions sometimes extending over several years), and state their opinions in writing. If an urgent question, an emergency meeting is called the same day, in order to arrive at a decision.

### Retain Foreign Control.

"In practice, it amounts to these big firms allowing their seniors to give up a large portion of their time to public work, and in my own case my firm provided me with an additional manager while I sat on the Council. Many questions are connected with negotiations for purchase of land for road widening, and public works of all kinds, hospital extensions, police barracks, markets, staff quarters, etc., and strict secrecy is essential. Members of Council have invariably been chosen from among men of recognized probity, and the work of the Council has so far been so clean that it has gained for Shanghai the name of the Model Settlement.

"I now come to my essential point. I have the highest possible opinion of the Chinaman as a man of business and as a good and true friend. I have no knowledge of him as a citizen willing to give up his time for civic duties. Such duties have never been undertaken by Chinese business men in China, and officials who have uniformly undertaken such work have been almost uniformly corrupt.

"It would to my mind be inconceivable that a Chinese majority of the members of the Shanghai Municipal Council could cope with the work, even if it were granted they would be free from corruption.

"I earnestly plead, therefore, that there should be a period of education of Chinese members of Council, and that it should be a long period of, say, at least, five years, in order that their colleagues may thoroughly judge whether they are able to rise to the necessary sense of civic responsibility. There are enormous interests at stake, and five years is a short time in the history of a large city.

"To make clear to those unacquainted with China some idea of the size and importance of Shanghai, I think I am correct, in saying that, in point of view of tonnage, it ranks fifth or sixth

## MALARIA CONTROL.

SINGAPORE SETS AN EXAMPLE.

London, June 15. "No city of the Empire has progressed so far in malaria control as Singapore," is the opinion of Sir Ronald Ross, whose report on malaria control has been published after a four months' journey covering 20,000 miles, through India and Malaya, to inspect the progress of anti-malarial operations, whence he returned in February.

He advocates a bed net as the best precaution against malaria, and thinks Malaya will quite possibly succeed in banishing malaria, but says that Onkutta has much to learn from Singapore. —*Reuter*.

## OBITUARY.

### CHAIRMAN OF WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC.

New York, June 15. The death has occurred of Mr. Guy Tripp, chairman of the Westinghouse Electric Company. —*Reuter's American Service*.

[Mr. Guy Eastman Tripp was born in 1865, and early took up a line of work in the electrical industry. He has been on the board of directors of most of the United States and Canadian Westinghouse concerns, including their radio business; and has also served as an official in the U.S. Ordinance. In 1919 he was awarded the D. S. M. for his "exceptionally meritorious services to the U. S. Government."]

## SHOP THIEF.

### FOLLOWED AND ARRESTED.

Two months' hard labour was imposed on a Chinese this morning, who was found guilty of stealing a roll of silk from the Lai Wah Company, Des Voeux Road Central. Sergeant Pitches informed Major C. Willson that the man entered the store and, while the attendant's attention was taken up, the defendant hid the roll of silk under his jacket and made off. He was followed and arrested in a near-by teahouse.

## FRENCH JOURNAL SUSPENDED.

### SUDDEN ACTION AT SHANGHAI.

Last Friday's *Shanghai Mercury* states:

"According to a notice in this morning's *Echo de Chine*, readers are informed that with the present number the paper ceases publication.

The *Echo* has been the journal of French interests in the Far East for the past thirty-one years and everyone accustomed to the bright and friendly paper and the able editorials of the gifted editor, M. Vandelet, will sincerely regret the sudden, and inexplicable, suspension of the most influential paper published in the French language in China.

The news of the sudden suspension of the *Echo* created much curious speculation in French circles in Shanghai. The paper is known to have been perfectly sound financially, sounder, in fact, than ever before, and it is also known that the order to suspend publication was as great a surprise to the editorial staff as to the general public.

It seems that the notice of suspension, in manuscript form, was handed in to the office yesterday afternoon with instructions to publish it. No reason was given.

The majority of the shares in the *Echo* are held by the French Fathers of the Missions Etrangères, but the Rev. F. Morin, who is charged with this part of the mission's interests, was not to be seen this morning.

The majority of the members of the French community are said to be very indignant over the sudden closing up of the paper, and it is understood that steps are already on foot to revive its activities under other control and another name although with the same policies."

among the shipping ports of the world, and that in use of electric power in comparison with cities in the United Kingdom it would take third place, after London and Glasgow, and higher than Birmingham and Liverpool.

"Excepting the rabid Communist and the noisy student and newspaper factions, I am sure that the Chinese themselves would consider this to be a fair and reasonable proposition, and I earnestly commend it to all those who are giving Chinese problems the study they deserve."

## DAINTY CHINESE DANCER.



Miss Tse Lo-lan, a talented Chinese dancer, who is appearing with her company, at the Theatre Royal on Tuesday, June 21st, at 9.15. Miss Tse is a famous exponent of Chinese classical dances, dating back over one thousand years.

## COLONIAL CONFERENCE.

### A ROYAL RECEPTION.

Their Majesties, on May 14, received at Buckingham Palace in the Throne Room the members (accompanied by their wives) of the Colonial Office Conference which is now being held in London. Among those received were: Mr. S. B. E. McElderry (Caret Officer, Class II, Hongkong), Dr. R. O. Winstedt (Director of Education, Federated Malay States), and Mr. Hayes Marriott (Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements). The Right Hon. Leopold Amery, M.P. (Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs and the Colonies), was present and had an audience of the King.

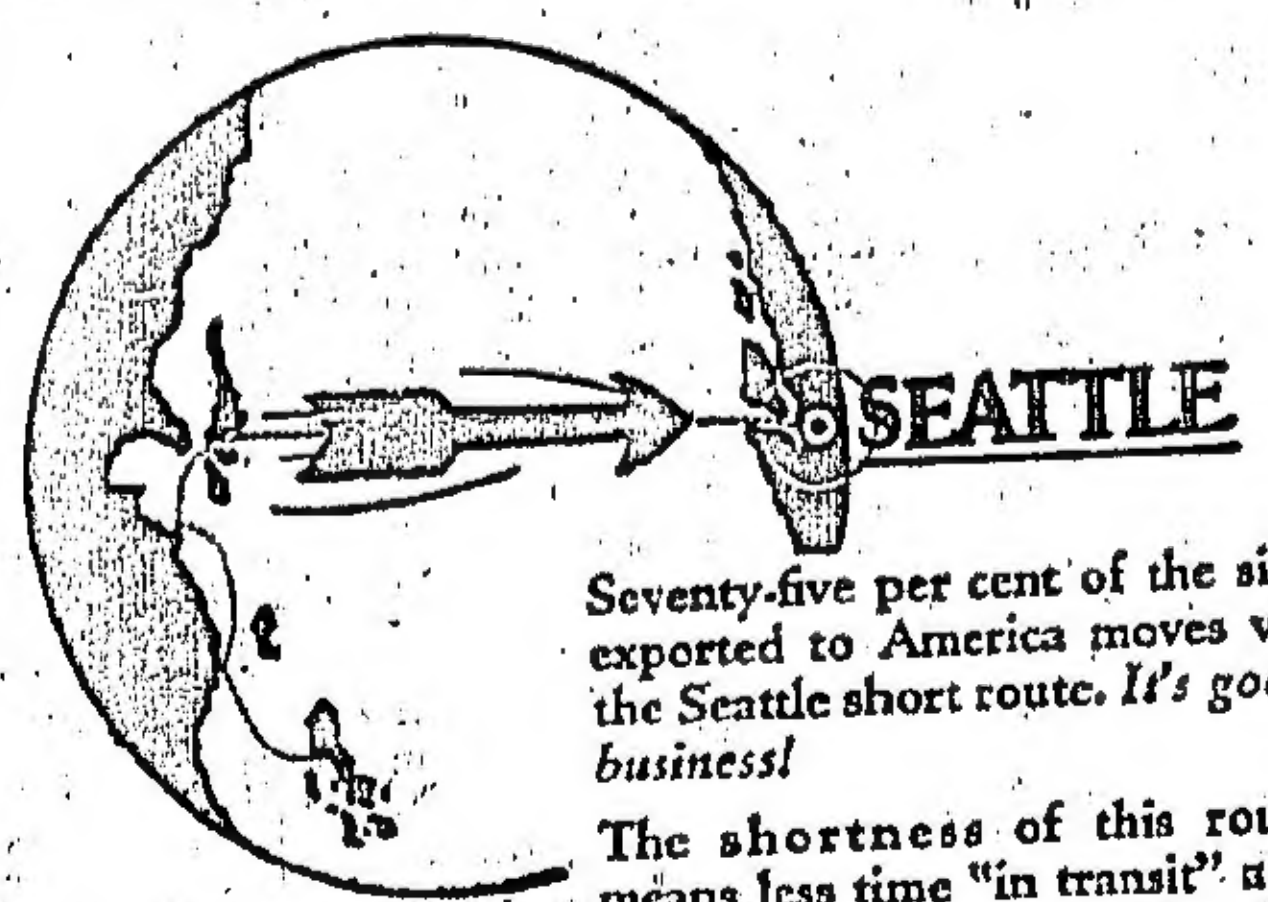
The Prince of Wales honoured the Duke of Sutherland with his company at dinner at Hampton House on May 17, when the guests included the representatives at the Colonial Office Conference, among them being Mr. R. O. Winstedt, Director of Education, Malay States; Mr. H. Marriott, Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements; Mr. S. B. E. McElderry, Second Assistant Colonial Secretary, Hongkong.

## TEA DANCANTS.

### NEW FEATURE AT LEE GARDENS.

As will have been seen by advertisements, the management of the Lee Gardens have arranged for tea dances to take place there every Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, from 6.30 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. The Melodians Band will be in attendance, and a special feature is that Prof. Thereses and Miss Marguerite Senour, exhibition dancers, will give demonstrations of the latest dancing steps in slow motion time, so that those desirous of gaining knowledge as to the correct way to perform the steps can easily see how they are done. Prices of admission, including tea, are very reasonable.

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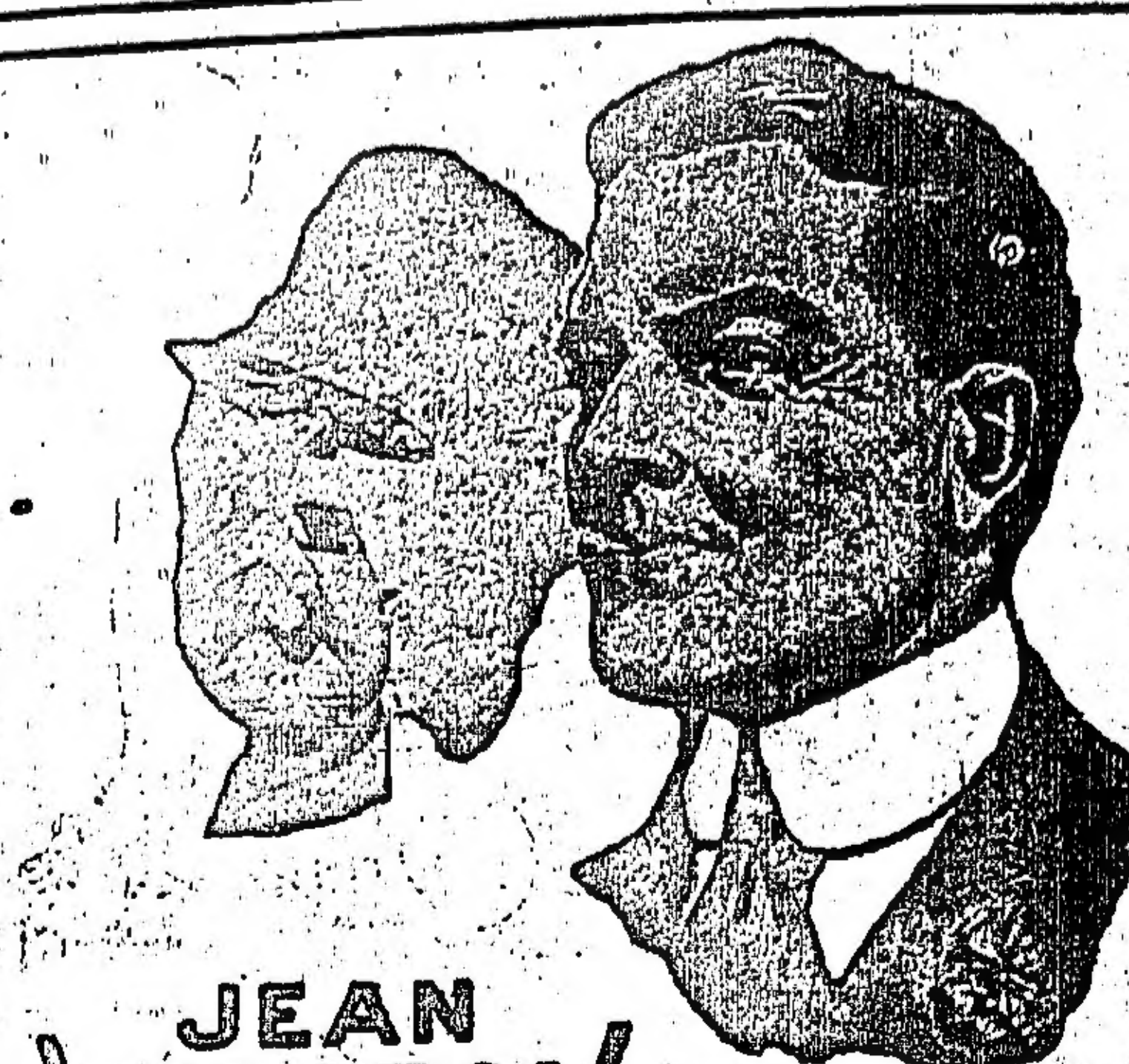
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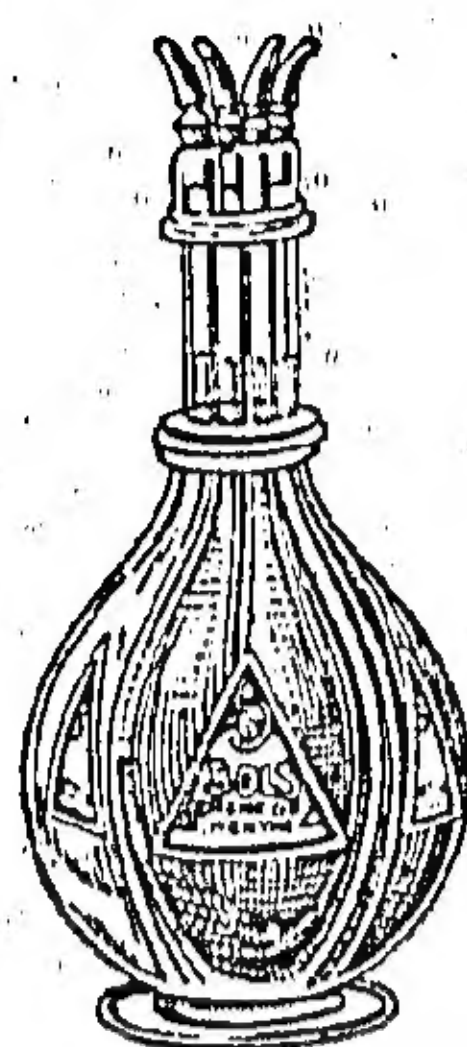
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## PUBLIC MONEY.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES  
FOR 1926.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon, the Colonial Secretary moved the first reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to authorise the Appropriation of a supplementary sum of One million and eighty-three thousand eight hundred and ninety-two Dollars and forty-two Cents to defray the charges of the year 1926.

The following abstract of the additional appropriations required, is taken from the Draft Appropriation Account:

His Excellency the Governor	\$ 21,058.79
Audit Department	2,979.05
Royal Observatory	8,517.87
Fire Brigade	25,745.50
Supreme Court	6,467.40
Attorney General	1,470.97
Office of Crown Solicitor and Land Registry	8,441.52
Public Works Recurrent	623,116.80
Kowloon Canton Railway	185,509.88
Charitable Services	21,355.01
Miscellaneous Services	230,129.93
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,083,892.42</b>

A sum of \$94,104 was estimated for His Excellency the Governor, but the actual amount spent was \$115,162.79, the increase being principally due to an item amounting to \$15,293, salary of Sir R. E. Stubbs, on leave.

The Cadet service shows a decrease of \$54,514.41 and the junior clerical service \$21,131.18, all being lapsing salaries.

The Colonial Secretary's Office and Legislature spent little over \$1,000 less than estimated, and there was a somewhat similar saving by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs. The Treasury expenditure was \$1,969 less, the Audit Department was \$2,079 more, and a saving of over \$3,000 was effected in the District Offices, principally due to a new scheme of afforestation for which \$1,000 was put down not being introduced and to lapsing salaries.

## Post Office Saving.

The Post Office showed a saving of \$133,574.55, this including \$86,500 share of mail subsidy not claimed and \$40,360 recovery of transit charges due to respect of the years 1924-5.

Another Department which showed a considerable saving was the Imports and Exports Office, the total savings being \$213,360.68, of which the chief item was \$173,409 on purchase of raw opium.

The Harbour Master's Department saved \$58,801. There was an increase of \$3,517.87 on the Royal Observatory, due entirely to outstanding 1925 accounts for magnetic instruments having been paid during the year.

The Fire Brigade Account showed an increase over the estimates of \$25,745, due principally to outstanding 1925 accounts having to be paid during the year.

There was an increase of \$6,467 over the estimated expenditure for the Supreme Court. More watchmen were employed and fees to counsel and solicitors for prisoners in capital cases amounted to \$2,205.97, as against the \$1,000 estimated.

Salary of a temporary clerk and temporary exchange compensation allowance was principally responsible for the excess of \$1,470.97 in the Attorney General's Office, and \$8,500 legal expenses, owing to more cases being dealt with, more than covered the increase in the Office of the Crown Solicitor and Land Registry. The Magistracies' account just about balanced, and the Police Force showed a saving of \$1,780.03. In this account there is an item of \$58,580 expenditure incurred under the Prison Convey system, but as against this there were considerable savings in personal emoluments.

## Fewer Prisoners.

The Prisons Department effected a saving of \$41,839.58, the most interesting item in the account, being that for subsistence of prisoners, which, owing to there being fewer in gaol, cost \$16,401.49 less than anticipated.

For the Medical Department, which includes hospitals and asylums, office of Health Officer of Port, institutes and Government Laboratory, the total Estimated Expenditure was \$769,911. There was a saving of \$46,662.

The Sanitary Department saved \$5,000 on an estimated expenditure of \$958,819. Items provisionally voted included \$700 for an anti-mosquito campaign and \$333 for feeding of more dogs under observation for rabies.

There were decreases under most of the items estimated for the Botanical and Forestry Department, the total saving coming to \$7,739 on an estimated expenditure of \$95,331.

The Education Department also shows a saving, the amount being

## FRENCH FINANCE.

REVENUE RETURNS FOR  
LAST MAY.

Paris, June 15.  
The total revenue returns for May amount to 3,256,000,000 francs of which 3,147,000,000 are from permanent normal sources showing an increase of 1,418,000,000 against the figures for May 1926.

The total excess compared with the budget forecasts amounts to 650,000,000 for the first five months of 1927.—Havas.

\$18,441, an estimated expenditure of \$238,505.

## Public Works.

The estimate for Public Works Recurrent was \$1,199,700 and the expenditure \$1,322,516.50—an increase of \$623,116.80. On Public Works Extraordinary, there was a saving of \$268,499.81 on an estimated expenditure of \$4,988,500. The most interesting items are sums of \$700,000, \$87,000, \$36,200 and \$66,000 for repairing damage done by the typhoon storm on July 19th. There is another item of \$101,750 for General Works which is \$5,000 over the estimate, owing to much extra work being necessitated by the storm. A provisional vote of \$130,000 is shown for the conversion of the Bowen Road filter beds, the estimate given being only \$20,000. An explanation is appended to the effect that the estimated cost was not known when the estimates were framed and that the provision was only tentative to cover preliminary work. There is a provisional vote of nearly a lakh for Kowloon hospital, the work being completed more expeditiously than expected. There are big sums for the Fire Station, Bonham Road School and the extension to the sisters' quarters of the Government Civil Hospital at which construction was carried out more expeditiously. Compensation and resumptions show an increase of over a lakh on the estimates.

There was savings under practically all items in the Port Development Department, the total being \$78,328.

## New Railway Carriages.

The estimated expenditure for the Kowloon Canton Railway was \$630,893, and this was exceeded by \$13,509, due to six new carriages which cost \$221,000. The military contribution for the year was \$4,198,057 which was underestimated by \$17,823. The Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps cost \$48,980, a saving of \$8,755 being shown.

Miscellaneous services include an emergency expenditure of \$223,062. Passages of Government servants were underestimated by \$61,453.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE.

\$78,000 To Be Voted  
To-day.

Items of supplementary expenditure amounting to \$78,000 were considered by the Finance Committee at the conclusion of the Legislative Council meeting this afternoon. The following are the items:

Public Works, Extraordinary: 46—Morrison Hill Development—Retaining Walls and Storm Water Culverts \$37,000. At an inspection on the site by H. E. on 1st March, 1927, in connection with the proposed new formation level at 50 feet A. C. D. it was decided that the work should be proceeded with as soon as possible and this involves carrying out the following works that were not previously included in the works proposed for this year.—Toe Wall north of Retaining Wall at foot of Stubbs Road; Toe Wall on Gap Road and West of Stubbs Road; Retaining Wall 225 feet long forming northern boundary of Gap Road; Removing trees on north side of Morrison Gap Road. The altered proposals will improve the roadway without any increase in estimated total cost of the works. The above is to be met from savings.

## Quarry Bay Road.

Public Works, Extraordinary: Improving and Widening Road through Quarry Bay Village, \$13,400.

In carrying out this work it was necessary to raise the levels of the existing road near the Eastern entrance to the Tsimsho Dockyard with the result that the Tsimsho Dockyard Company have had to reconstruct their approach ramp from the yard end form a new entrance. The Company have asked Government to pay for this work, and it is considered that the request and the statement of cost given by the Company are reasonable and that this payment should be made. No provision was made when the 1927 Estimates were framed. It was not then known that the Company would make any claim for this work. The above is to be met from savings.

Public Works, Extraordinary: Forming level areas and filling in Old Indian Cemetery area at Tai Shek Ku Valley, \$10,000.

The Estimates for 1923 provided \$12,000 for "Forming and Levelling areas in Tai Shek Ku Valley" and a re-vote of \$8,000 of this amount appears in 1927 Estimates under Head 31 Sub-head 73. No money was, however, expended on this work in 1926 and before the work is put in

## PRESS INTRIGUED.

MYSTERIOUS CONFERENCE  
HELD AT GENEVA.

Geneva, June 15.  
What are described as "L'Occident" discussions arranged on short notice, which were conducted privately in Sir Austen Chamberlain's room at the hotel have greatly intrigued the journalists attending the League Council. M. Briand, Herr Van der Velde, Herr Stresemann, M. Scialoja and Baron Ishii were present at the conference which lasted two hours.

The Ministers, who are very reticent will meet again to-day.

Paris, June 15.  
The newspapers declare that the Russian problem was considered at yesterday's private discussions at Geneva.

The French correspondents on this subject discredit the possibility of an Anglo-Franco-German alliance against the Soviet. The *Petit Journal's* correspondent declares the possibility of holding an international conference on the Russian question is being considered.—Reuter.

hand it is considered desirable that the area of the Old Indian Cemetery, referred to in the sub-head above, be filled in to prevent water collecting behind the new filling and forming mosquito breeding pools. The estimated cost of this is \$10,000. The combined total works will cost \$22,500. A vote of \$10,000 is therefore requested of which \$6,000 will be met by deleting the present sub-head 73 of head 81.

A vote of \$12,500 will be required in 1928 to complete the combined works. The above is to be met from Savings.

Public Works, Extraordinary: Hongkong Buildings, Quarry Bay School, \$9,525. Original Estimates, \$137,500.00; revised estimates, \$141,603.52. Amount Expended in 1924, \$3,870.00; Amount Expended in 1925, \$62,887.10; Amount Expended in 1926, \$6,581.42; Total Expenditure up to end of 1926, \$132,338.52; Balance, \$9,525; Amount now requested \$9,525.

A sum of \$88,000 was provided in 1926 for the completion of this building, but owing to the wet weather experienced during the year, it was found impossible to complete the work and the amount now requested is in the nature of a re-vote of a portion of the unexpended balance of \$22,418.58.

## Kowloon Hospital.

Medical Department: Other Charges, Re-erecting old X-Ray Plant at Kowloon Hospital, \$1,245.

A new X-Ray Plant has been purchased and it is proposed to transfer the old plant to the Kowloon Hospital. The vote for \$1,245 is asked for the cost of this removal which was not provided for in the Estimates for 1927.

Miscellaneous Services: 18—Imperial Institute Grant in Aid, \$3,754. Provision made in Estimates, \$5,000. Payment of grants in aid of \$500 and \$75 to the Imperial Institute and its Exhibition Galleries provision for which was made on p. 108 of 1926 Estimates was not actually made by the Crown Agents until February, 1927, a saving of that amount being effected in 1926.

Provision of \$500 in all for these two objects was made under head 34 sub-head 18 on p. 95 of 1927 Estimates but it has since been decided to reduce the grant to \$200 in all. Total payments of \$575 and \$300 = \$875—have therefore to be made from the 1927 vote which is \$5,000 and a supplementary vote of \$3,750 = (\$2,875) is accordingly requested.

District Office, North: 1—Personal Emoluments, \$500. Provision made in Estimates \$11,945. During the leave of the Land Bailiff, Mr. Routley from 5th May, 1926, until 5th March, 1927, Mr. Chambers the Senior Land Bailiff did both bailiff's duties. A considerable amount of extra work and extra expenses in travelling thus fell upon Mr. Chambers and it is proposed to pay him a bonus of \$500 in recognition of this. A vote for this amount is accordingly requested.

Sanitary Department: 39—Other Charges, Rent of Quarters for Inspector and Sanitary Officers, \$176. Provision made in Estimates \$600. The floors formerly occupied at Shamsuipe for a district Sanitary Office and quarters for an Inspector became very unsatisfactory and as from 1st February, 1927, better and more convenient floors were, with the approval of Government rented at an increased cost of \$16.85 p.m. This could not have been anticipated when the Estimates for 1927 were drawn up.

The above is to be met from savings under Purchase and Maintenance of Bullocks. Sanitary Department: 40—Other Charges, Rent of Quarters for Scavenging Cools, \$1,476. Provision made in Estimates, \$1,200. When the 1927 Estimates were framed it was anticipated that the monthly expenditure under sub-head 40 would be \$100. Subsequently, however it was found necessary to demolish the Government quarters at Hang Hum in October last, and to rent quarters at \$60 p.m. Notice was also received to quit the inadequate quarters occupied in Yauwani at \$17 p.m. and satisfactory quarters could not be obtained under \$69 p.m. An unanticipated monthly expenditure of \$132 has therefore been incurred and the actual monthly expenditure now amounts to \$232. It is anticipated this will be sufficient until the end of the year and a vote for the excess of \$1,476 is accordingly requested.

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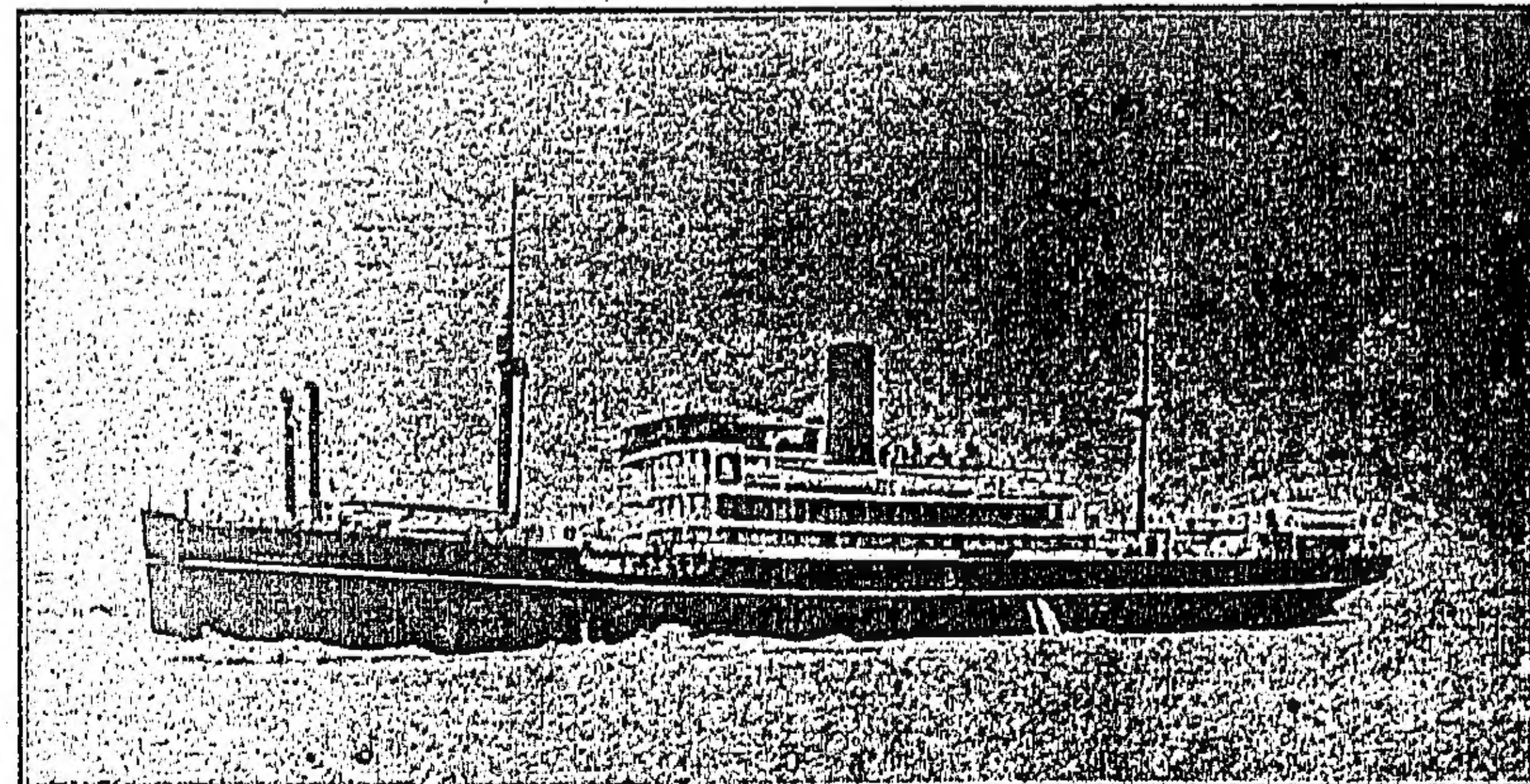
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MALAYA WIN BY 39 RUNS.

Kuala Lumpur, June 6.  
 Contrary to all expectations that existed before the visit, the Malays achieved a fine victory in Kuala Lumpur today against the Australian tour by the margin of 39 runs. When play closed on Saturday the visitors had scored 12 of the 182 runs required for victory without loss, Roff having opened the innings with Woodfull owing to the illness of Mayne, who had opened with Woodfull in the previous matches. The Australians were all out this afternoon for 142. Glorious conditions prevailed when the Australian innings was resumed. It was not long before success attended the Malaysian side, for off the fourth ball of the morning Roff was caught in the slips off Bostock Hill. Macartney joined Woodfull and early in his innings gave Bostock Hill a hard time which the Malaysian bowler failed to hold. The Australian skipper mistimed several more balls before he was eventually cleverly caught by Penman off his own bowling. It was unexpected to see Penman, who had strained a muscle on Saturday, bowling and he kept up a fast pace. When Macartney left the total was 37. Andrews joined Woodfull and the pair appeared to be settling down, scoring freely off Bostock Hill and Bradwell, when Woodfull was run out in attempting an impossible run. Three wickets were thus down for 66 when Bradwell joined Andrews and the pair added 33 and appeared comfortable when Andrews, who had played a most attractive innings, edged a fast ball into the slips. Oldfield followed but remained only for a couple of balls before getting in front of a straight one from Penman.

With the total at 113 Foster, fielding close in a mid-off, brought off a brilliant one-handed catch which sent Bradwell back to the pavilion. Henderson bowled Everett, after that player had lifted Bostock Hill over the ropes, shaping well, and finally finished off the innings by beating Gamble. The Malaysian players were given a great reception on returning to the pavilion, Macartney meeting them with cordial congratulations and handshaking. Malaysia 1st Innings—108. Australia XI. 1st Innings—85. Malaysia 2nd Innings—138. Australia XI. 2nd Innings—37. W. M. Woodfull run out ... 37. E. F. Roff c Hennessey b Bostock Hill ... 1. C. G. Macartney c and b Penman ... 16. T. J. E. Andrews c Hennessey b Penman ... 34. W. A. Oldfield lbw b Penman ... 0. R. Bradwell c Foster b Bostock Hill ... 11. E. R. Mayne b Hennessey ... 12. S. C. Everett b Hennessey ... 12. J. Sullivan not out ... 11. L. Gamble b Hennessey ... 8. E. W. Adams absent ill ... 5. Extras ... 5. Total ... 142.

Bowling.  
 A. P. Penman, three for 25; P. H. Hennessey three for 30; A. J. Bostock Hill two for 60; R. L. L. Bradwell none for 11; W. N. Hunsell none for 11.  
 S. Malaya v Australia.  
 Seremban, June 8.  
 The scores in this match, played on June 8, at Seremban, were:  
 Southern Malaya.  
 C. H. Congdon st. Oldfield b Woodfull ... 57.  
 C. H. Taylor c Sullivan b Gamble ... 4.  
 T. C. Green c Oldfield b Gamble ... 2.  
 V. E. H. Rhodes b Gamble ... 7.  
 R. T. Foster c Bradwell b Andrews ... 0.  
 H. M. James b Andrews ... 7.  
 D. R. A. Hoblyn c Andrews b Woodfull ... 0.  
 E. M. Pennefather not out ... 5.  
 F. H. Thompson st. Oldfield b Andrews ... 10.  
 C. H. Miller c Andrews b Woodfull ... 3.  
 Extras ... 10.  
 Total ... 122.

\*There is an error in this telegram of 11 runs and it is noted that N. J. A. Foster's name is omitted.

Bowling.  
 Gamble, three for 30; Sullivan, none for 18; Vasey, none for 10; Andrews, three for 19; Woodfull, four for 17.  
 Australia XI.  
 E. R. Mayne b Rhodes ... 20.  
 E. F. Roff lbw b Thompson ... 25.  
 H. Bradwell not out ... 46.  
 S. C. Everett b Thompson ... 0.  
 J. Sullivan b Miller ... 18.  
 W. M. Woodfull not out ... 21.  
 Extras ... 25.  
 Total (for 4 wks.) ... 155.

MANILA REDS ACTIVE.  
 HOLD UP TRANSFER OF MARINE SUPPLIES.  
 Manila, June 15.  
 Owing to the stevedore strike at Manila the Cavite Navy Yard has sent a force of stevedores to transfer supplies for the Marines in China from the President Taft to the transport Henderson. The supplies are for 6,000 men for two months. The work is being rushed as the Henderson is leaving for Tientsin on Friday.  
 As no commercial cargo is being unloaded the Taft and two other vessels will be delayed by the strike.—*Reuter*  
 Later.  
 The Dollar Line have obtained some strike breakers and it is expected that the Pres. Taft will sail on schedule.—*Reuter*.

## LEAGUE TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. DEFEATED ON HOME GROUND.

The Kowloon Cricket Club, playing against the Hongkong Cricket Club in the "A" Division of the League, won by the narrowest margin on the latter's ground.  
 For the K.C.C. Millard and Hyde won all their games as did the Fincher Brothers, but the defeat of Pinquet and Jack in two of their games by 8/3 and 9/2 respectively nearly cost them the match.

The full scores were:  
 Millard and Hyde (K.C.C.) beat Cornaby and Miskin 6-5; beat Green and Sowell 6-5; beat Brearley and Henderson 6-5.  
 Fincher Bros. (K.C.C.) beat Cornaby and Miskin 6-5; beat Green and Sowell 7-4; beat Brearley and Henderson 7-4.  
 Pinquet and Jack (K.C.C.) lost to Cornaby and Miskin 8-3; lost to Green and Sowell 9-2; beat Brearley and Henderson 7-4.  
 Totals.—K.C.C., 50; H.K.C.C., 49.

## GOLF.

THE AMERICAN OPEN TITLE.

Oakmont, Pennsylvania, June 15.  
 142 leading golfers, including the British Ryder Cup players, are competing for the American open title. The competition consists of two rounds of eighteen holes after which thirty-four lowest scores play over thirty-six holes. The first round was played in wet and foggy weather. Bobby Jones, the present champion and Ted Ray, Captain of the British Ryder Cup team, went round in 79 each. The American Harry Hampton headed the list with 73. The Britishers George Duncan, Herbert Jolly and Chas. Whitcombe took 84 each. Eomer 83 and Compton, Havers and Gadd 79 each.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Later.  
 Harry Cooper, Dave Robertson and Gene Sarazen went round in 74 and William Melhorn, Emmet French and Nabholz in 75.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## BOXING.

DEMPSEY TO MEET JACK SHARKEY.

New York, June 15.  
 Tex Rickard has announced that Dempsey and Jack Sharkey will meet on July 21 at the Yankee Stadium for a chance at Tunney's heavyweight title.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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Tjikarang	Batavia	10th July	14th July	Shanghai
Tjikembang	S'hai, K'lung	12th July	14th July	Batavia
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## FEARS OF BIG COUP AT HANKOW.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Latest decision of the Nationalist military authorities, the force now commanded by Li Chung-jen in the North will form the entire 7th army, while the force under General Wang Shao-hung in the South will be organized into a new army with General Wang as chief commander. The new Kwangsi army in the south will, like most other Nationalist armies, consist of three divisions.

The 4th and 5th brigades which have been sent up to the Hunan front will be organized into a division. The 5th and 6th brigades, which are also coming down to Canton to join the Hunan expedition, will form another division. The other division will be formed by the 3rd brigade, now in Kwangsi, together with the cadets of the Nanking Military Academy.

General Wang estimates the new army to be something like 20,000 strong.

The first mentioned two divisions will take part in the Hunan expedition, while the others will be entrusted with the defence of Kwangsi.

## Planes for Nanking.

The Army Headquarters in Canton has received instructions from Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to the effect that the aeroplanes in Canton should all be sent up to Nanking for service in the coming campaign against Shantung and Chihli.

Upon receipt of these instructions, General Li Chai-sum ordered the Canton Aviation Bureau to leave a necessary air force for Hunan and Kwangsi, while the rest of the machines should immediately be sent up to Nanking.

## Whampoa Forgiven.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has not forgotten the Whampoa Cadet Academy, which gave him his initial military force, and in which he devoted so much energy to the training of men for military service in recent years. A few days ago Marshal Chiang sent a representative back to Whampoa Academy, of which he is the principal, and informed the acting chief there that all the students who were arrested for Communist sympathies should be detained till he has the leisure himself to attend to the matter. Marshal Chiang's representative also informed the Whampoa students that as soon as the military expedition against Shantung and Chihli is completed, the Generalissimo will return to Whampoa to resume further service there.

## LOOT AND OUTRAGE.

## What Happened at Haichow.

Shanghai, June 15. Japanese reports state that Chiang Kai-shek's troops have captured Haichow seaport in northern Kiangsu after fierce fighting. When it was known that the Southern forces were approaching Sun Chuan-fang's troops commenced looting the town and the process was completed by the Southerners who robbed and outraged in a wholesale fashion.

Japanese women and children had already been evacuated and the Japanese males escaped in the clothes they stood in after witnessing terrible scenes.

After a body of Southerners fired on the Japanese refugee ship Kobil Maru and then boarded and looted the vessel. The refugees and crew offered no resistance despite the insolent behaviour of the troops. The Japanese Consul General at Shanghai has protested to the Bureau of Foreign Affairs and requested that full protection be given the Japanese remaining in Haichow.

## HUNAN ANTI-COMMUNIST.

## New Posters at Hankow.

Hankow, June 15. New posters appearing in Hankow indicate that Hunan is strongly anti-Communist and also that Kiangsi has definitely turned against Hankow. The posters outside the General Labour Union headquarters denounce the generals commanding at Changsha, Kiukiang and Nanking for "sacrificing" large numbers of Communists in these cities.

Teng Seng-chi, Sun Fo and Teng Yen-ta returned to Hankow from Chengchow last evening. Hsu Chien has left Chengchow for Kailung and has not returned to Hankow. A mass meeting of welcome to the victorious Nationalist soldiers has been arranged for to-morrow and a general holiday is being observed.

The Hankow Government reports that at a conference at Chengchow between their leaders and Feng Yu-shiang, the latter agreed to respect the authority of the Hankow Government and gave an assurance of his allegiance, wherefore Hankow troops are returning to Hankow and leaving

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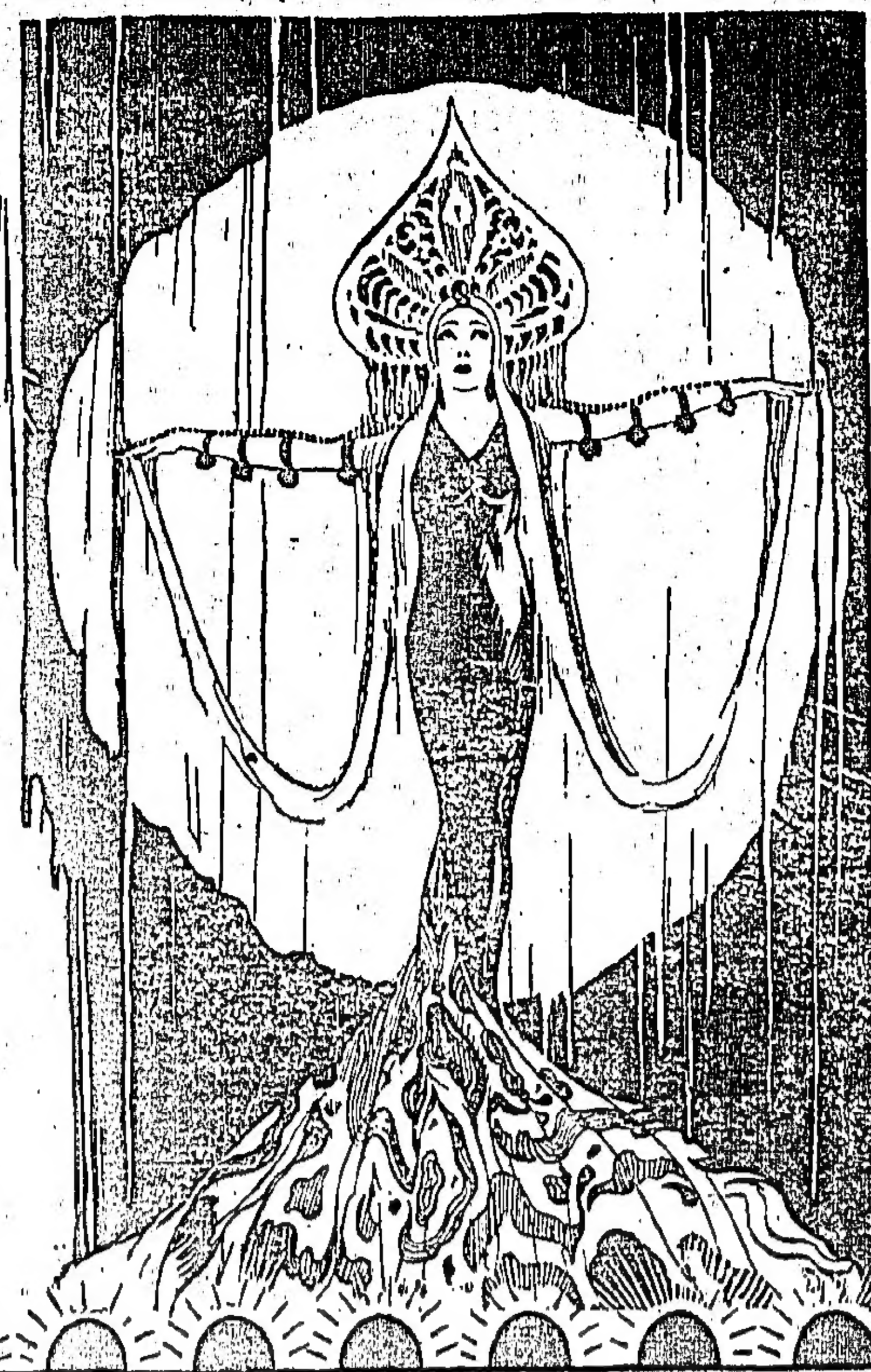
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## SOUTH ENTERS SHANTUNG.

Red Spears Harass North.

Peking, June 15.

Chiang Kai-shek's troops are entering Shantung while the Northerners are concentrating at Chuehchung, fifty miles from Tsingtao.

The Red Spears are considerably harassing the Northerners' communications in the vicinity of Shuntehfu, Chihli.—*Reuter*.

## BRITISH AEROPLANES.

## Text of Dr. Wu's Protest.

Dr. Wu Chao-chu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Nationalist Government has sent the following protest to Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister to China, in regard to the flying of seven British aeroplanes over the Huangpu Forts and the Military Academy at Canton.

The text follows: I have the honour to inform you that on the morning of May 18, seven British aeroplanes were seen approaching from the direction of Hongkong, and flew over the Huangpu Forts and the Military Academy at Canton for about one hour.

I have further to inform you that since April 7 British aeroplanes in Shanghai have been continuously flying above Chinese territory and especially over local points of strategic importance.

In both cases no permission had

been obtained; while in the latter case despite the repeated and emphatic protests from the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs to the Consul-General.

General rules of the law of nations, as well as the International Aerial Navigation Convention recognize that every state has complete and exclusive sovereignty over air space. They prohibit also military aircraft of one state flying over the territory of another state without special authorization of that state and reserve to each state the right to prohibit all flying over certain specified areas.

British aerial navigation law, it is understood, gives substantially the same provisions.

It is incomprehensible, therefore, why British aeroplanes in China should act contrary to International Law and the Agreement as well as to rules to which Great Britain in its own country expects foreign aircraft to conform.

Besides registering a formal protest over past incidents, I have the honour to request that in future no British military aircraft fly over any part of Chinese territory without previous authorization.—Wu Chao-chu.

A fine of \$20, or in default three weeks' hard labour, was imposed by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a Chinese who, after being arrested on suspicion in Gascoigne Road yesterday, assaulted a Shantung constable who was taking him to the Station.

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:—

1. Harold, son of Canute. 2. Small table used at Communion for holding bread and wine. 3. Karen. 4. Gelling term for displaced turf. 5. William Thompson, some time champion boxer of England. 6. Sheep. 7. Cavalier. 8. Possessed bones since then as relics. 9. William of Orange. 10. Battle of Britain. 11. 1743, in which George II. was engaged. 12. His right; at siege of Calvi, 1704. 13. David Garrick. 14. Printing used to be called the "black art," and printers' errand boys were known asimps or devils. 15. No; only in the semi-dark, when the feeble light rays are magnified by its eyes. 16. The eastern entrance is actually west of the western entrance.

The Chinese who was yesterday charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell for assaulting a cyclist and throwing his bicycle into the harbour was discharged this morning, as the Magistrate did not believe the complainant's story.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Lieut. Commr. G. F. Hole, three trading junk-masters were charged with failing to show the regulation lights whilst under way in the harbour and severally pleaded guilty. Basing the penalty on the tonnage of the respective junks, the magistrate fined one accused \$15 and the others \$10 each.

A Chinese, who described himself as an unemployed seaman, appeared as complainant in a case in which another Chinese was charged with stealing \$1 from the seaman's pocket. The seaman was in Water Street at the time and his pocket was cut with a sharp razor. He gave chase and a Chinese constable stopped the pick-pocket. The defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

## WATER LEVELS.

REPORT FROM BOARD OF CONSERVANCY WORKS OF KWANGTUNG. WATER-LEVELS IN ENGLISH FEET.

Place of Observation.	Highest W.L. on record	Lowest W.L. on record	W. L. 14/6	W. L. 15/6
West River at Shuihung	+41'0	0'	+17'0	rising
North River at Tsingyuen	+28'7	0'	+13'8	+12'4
North River at Samshui	+27'3	—5'	+11'8	+10'7
East River at Sheklung	+15'2	—3'	+11'6	+11'2